Breakfast television may not be taking audiences by storm but it will have a profound effect on the coming election campaign.

David Butler reports on the
problems of politics round the clock.

Gavin Stamp speculates on the outcome of a new competition that could decide the future of one of London's best known land marks.

For three years Forestry Commission has been counting Britain's trees with the help of a computer. Hugh Clayton takes a quizzical look at the figures. Saturday tomorrow includes the weekend guide to the best events in Leisure, the arts and entertainment.

Guard on £2m armed raid charge

guard working for Security with the attempted armed robbery of £2,241,965 from his employers at Christopher Street Islington, North London. Express was charged yesterday

on March 9. Alan David Rooslan, aged 29. is also accused of the armed robbery of £135.000 from Security Express and McDonalds on November 26 last year. at McDonalds in High Road, Tottenham. He will appear at Old Street Magistrates Court

Solidarity calls May 1 protest

The underground Solidarity leaders called for mass May Day protest against Polish government policies. Mr Lech Walesa, whose wife was interrogted yesterday, said he had not signed the appeal but did not necessarily distance himself

Adelman in

The US Senate confirmed the controversial appointment of Mr Kenneth Adelman as director of the Arms Control and Disarmament Agency, setting aside doubts about his qualifications.

Judge dies

Judge Christmas Humphreys, Zen Buddhist, poet, herbalist and Shakespearean scholar, has died at his home in London. He of the Buddhist society he Obitnary, page 12

Ripper in court

Peter Sutcliffe, the Yorkshire Ripper, gave evidence in court against a fellow prisoner accused of slashing him in the face with a glass jar

MPs' pay-offs

ust displaced or rejected MPs be intitled to redundancy movements, normally restrited to se who unsuccessfully contest election, because boundary inges mean that more than constituencies will officially ise to exist at the next general

Miners' claim

The National Union of Minevorkers is demanding a fouras lay week and retirement at 55 flor its members, in return for allowing the introduction of new technology Page 2

Hitchens dies

Gerry Hitchens, who played football for England, Aston Villa and Italian clubs, died a June election, but that their an obliging Conservative to playing for a local team at Hope, near Wrexham. He was Obituary, page 12 have also helped confirm the £40,000m a year. "The whole view of those ministers, including Mr Francis Pym, the but they will never get the Foreign Secretary, and Mr John Biffen, Leader of the Commons.

Wales: A three-page Special Report on efforts to attract new industries and holiday visitors to the Principality Pages 13, 15

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Whitelaw yields on police access to medical records

By Philip Webster, Political Reporter

down yesterday over its plans to mittee, made clear that articles allow police access to confiden- held on a confidential basis, tial medical and other personal other than personal records, records, after a determined would remain within the scope campaign by doctors and of the clause, although further

Secretary, told the Commons later said that such articles that he had taken seriously and might include bloodstained sympathetically their anxieties clothes or bullets. that the provisions of Clause 10 of the Police and Criminal

He had decided to bring relating to the work of the The Government's climbmedical and other caring down over the Bill was not only
professions, including priests a reaction to the strength of
and social workers, should be opposition to the proposals, exempt from the clause.

Mr. Whitelaw also indicated that he would be responding to journalists that the Bill will force them to disclose sources of confidential information. Mr Patrick Maybew. Minister of State at the Home Office, will

meet representatives of the profession, including the National Union of Journalists, the Guild of British Newspaper Editors, the Newspaper Society and the Press Council, on Monday to discuss changes.

Under the Bill as drafted, police investigating a "serious arrestable offence" could have sought an order from a circuit judge allowing them to search the premises of doctors, psychiatrists, social workers, priests, and others for evidence. Mr Whitelaw, in a written reply to Sir Edward Gardner,

The Government climbed backbench home affairs com- welcomed the concessiion yes

safeguards are to be proposed Mr William Whitelaw, Home over their production. Officials

Officials explained later that Mr Whitelaw had been much Evidence Bill, would adversely influenced by the criticism of affect their confidential redoctors who had explained that lationships with those who although they were not consought their help. He had decided to bring taken they feared their patients forward amendments so that would believe their records

> which surprised ministers, but also a recognition that the Bill was highly unlikely to get through the House of Lords in its present form.
> The changes were welcomed

> by the Opposition last night. Mr Roy Hattersley, Shadow Home Secretary, said the Government's decision was obviously paign supported by the pro-

have made such repressive tackled, that is not the end of proposals and that those of us the story." who originally objected to them should have been accused of

popular vote than Mr Heath's

in the summer to sell their

colleagues have suddenly grown more confident. Results of early

headquarters, are said to show a

and that the publication last

month of Labour's campaign

document has reawakened int-

In the Commons vesterday

Mrs Thatcher, election or not.

was willing enough to rubbish

director of the film will attend

Sir Richard said: "Obviously

I thought about it hard and

was no such thing in South

He has discussed the matter

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marked increase in support.

However, some of his senior

oppositin to the Bill's pro-confidence, visions on police searchse, welcome. chairman of the Conservative

Tory MPs pin hopes

on June election

By Julian Haviland, Political Editor

since the Easter recess reached election.
its climax yesterday with MPs Mr Harold Wilson's fate in

of all parties preoccupied, above all else, with the quesion of was a summer election, was when the Parliament will end.

Conservatives, who know no opinion polls could flatter and opinion polls could flatter and

more than their political op-deceive even when voters were ponents what may be in the less changeable than today's.

mind of the Prime Minister, After long months of trailing the

hope that some clue may Conservatives in the polls,

emerge from the private meet-ing today at which Mrs a seven point lead by Gallup in

Margaret Thatcher will rally May and again in June. But by those Conservative candidates who are not yet MPs.

May and again in June. But by polling day they were beaten, securing 31, per cent less of the securing 31, per cent less of the

election remains undimmed by Labour opinion is also the latest dip in the opinion divided, with most backbench-

polls, with Gallup in yesterday's ers unused to the party's mood

Daily Telegraph reporting a at peace and still nrevous of a

halving of the Government's June election. Mr Michael Foot

lead over Labour in the course would prefer an October date,

of a month, and the Alliance believing that his front bench parties falling back into third team will campaign effectively

By Christopher Warman, Arts Correspondent

arrived back in London from matters, said: "A première his Oscar-winning triumph in Los Angeles at the centre of a plasphemy. It will be entirely

storm over his decision to against the spirit of Gandhi and attend a whites-only première of his film Gandhi in South question is not merely that the

He said he was determined to the première but whether the attend the première. In the film, which was made in Commons, Mrs Margaret That-

cher rejected a suggestion that deals with the life of Gandhi, she should ask Sir Richard not shall be made abvailable for a

to go to South Africa. It was a premiere showing to a racially matter for Sir Richard. "He segregated audience."

The Anti-Apartheid Move- long The first thing I had asked

ment delivered a letter of was that the film be shown to

protest signed by its chairman. mixed audiences. I was told this Mr Robert Hughes MP, which was out of the question as there

home, and later the movement Africa, and the only way the

received a statement from the film could be shown was to

Sir Richard Attenborough responsibilities for apartheid

Among backbench Conserva-

tives the ardour for a June Conservatives.

A clear majority of Conserva- policies.

tive MPs appear convinced that

Mr Francis Pym: Advising

caution

must be free wholly to decide

Sir Richard read on his arrival

this on his own grounds."

The first parliamentary week who would prefer an October

terday (Frances Gibb writes).

The British Medical Association said the controversial claus had "represented a most serious threat to the diagnosis and treatment of patients", It was "grateful to the Home Secretary for having recognized this danger by removing medi-cal records from the Bill."

The association said it would still seak the extension of the Government's undertakings to cover tissues and tissue fluids diagnosis and treatment of patients. Doctors would continue to cooperate with the police in the investigation of very grave crimes and it was signficant, the association added, there were no cited champles of public security being ednangered thrugh doctors not cooperating in such cases.

The Rev James Thompson Bishop of Stepney, who with the Bishop of Kensington led a protest by more than fifty Church of England bishops, also right and vindicated the cam- welcomed the change. "But it is important to remember we have fessional organizations most been concerned about the Bill as affected. "It now seems extraordinary get right for the community. that the Government should Just because this issue has been

The Law Society, which already had exemption under Doctors church leaders and lawyers who united in their cornessions the Bill for legal documents claiming legal professional privilege but not for other records held by solicitors in

Training in

Forces

offered to

jobless

Political Reporter

were yesterday offered the chance of joining the Armed Forces for a year's engagement devoted to training and work

experience for which they will

receive a £25 weekly allowance

ing scheme.
The Government is making

5,200 places available in the

services for young volunteers, 3,700 in the Army, 1,000 in the RAF and 500 in the Royal

Navy. The great majority will

be for boys. The Army is

Unemployed school-leavers



Walking the course: Master Peter Phillips taking his father in hand after Captain Phillips had competed in the dressage at the Badminton Horse Trials yesterday.

Building societies welcome base rate cut to 10%

By Frances Williams and Baron Phillips

base lending rates by half a percentage point to 10 per cent. But a further cut in rates now

at the begining of the year, has given a welcome reprieve to Britain's five million home owners threatened by higher

mortgage interest rates. National Westminster led the

The authorities have been anxious to temper hopes of expected. The pound rose 0.4 rapid cuts in interest rates, cents to \$1.5045. Its trade-weigbecause they fear this could put htted index slipped 0.4 to 82.4. sterling under pressure and reflecting losses against Euro- per cent in November." make monetary control more pean currencies which were

unable to offer any places for girls, the Navy is offering up to 50 places for girls aged 17, and the RAF a small number. Announcing details of the scheme in the Commons, Mr Michael Heseltine, the Sec-retary fo State for Defence, defended it against fierce

canvassing for the district elections next month, reported that it was to be seen as the forerunner of an attempt to to Labour's south London introduce conscription. Mrs Margaret Thatcher had earlier predicted a great de-mand for the limited places Labour workers believe that the Falklands factor, which gave available. Many young people the Government marked supwould wish to play a part in defending their country, she port a year ago, has now faded

abour criticism amd denied

The volunteers, who will be able to apply by going to their local recruitment offices, will receive the same basic training as regular servicemen and women and some will go on to the Labour programme for they would not necessarily win economic recovery. Asked by learn skills and trades. They will have to satisfy existing Armed Forces' entry standards party would have a distinctly estimate the cost of Labour's and be able to leave at any time better chance of success in June plans he suggested a figure of on 14 days' notice. Regulars than later. Nonetheless the polls between £30,000m and normally serve at least a three

year engagement. Ten pounds a week will be deducted from their £25 allow-Continued on back page, col 3 | would be kept.

Sir Richard with Oscars at

Heathrow

South Africa and "arrived at my

Clutching his two Oscars, Sir

looks some way off.

The move, which brings base lending rates back of their level

way after the Bank of England cut its key money market dealing rates for the second day running. This was an unmistakable signal that it was willing to see a drop in base rates after more than a week of resistance. The previous half point cut came on Budget day a month

difficult

The money supply is now trading be necessary for the movement growing at the top of its target. Overdraft rates will fall by to stay competitive for attractrange and may overshoot this half a percentage point from ing investment. month because of the Govern- today,

The big four clearing banks ment's spending spree at the The building societies have yesterday took the hint from the end of the financial year, been saying for some weeks that Bank of England and cut their revealed in official figures on unless the banks lowered their Wednesday.
The authorities will want to

see the money supply clearly under control or a significant strengthening of sterling, per-haps following a cut in American interest rates, before sanctioning a further reduction in lending costs. This is likely to be some weeks away. Sir Terence Beckett, director

general of the Confederation of British Industry, welcomed yesterday's reduction which he said would benefit industry by £135m a year.

But real rates were still high. "We want further cuts to boost the recovery that is just ation's secretary general, said beginning to happen", he said.

where the cut has been generally more than made up in late

interst rates, the cost of mortgages would have to rise. The extent of the danger was

known yesterday when the Building Societies Association said that net receipts in March were only £379m, well below the £700m which is necessary to maintain the lending level.

A total of £1,912m was lent to home-buyers during

February and a further £1,905m was promised to mortgage applicants. At the end of last month the building society movement was committed to lend £4,203m.

Mr Richard Weir, the associlast night. "The reduction ease There was little reaction in the upward pressure on building the foreign exchange markets society interest rates but never theless base rates are still a full percentage point above the levels established when the mortgage rate was reduced to 10

But he said that further reductions in base rates would

Maestro strikers vote to stay out

By Barrie Clement Labour Reporter

More than 5,000 workers at BL's Cowley plant in Oxford-shire voted overwhelmingly to stay on strike yesterday amid that prolonged action would jeopardize investment. Last night the action was made official.

The dispute so far has cost £60m, stopped production of the newly-launch Maestro car for a formight and has constituted the most serious indus-trial relations problem a t the company for many years. Around 4,000 other BL men

Around 4,000 other BL men have been made idle.

The stoppage is ostensibly over BL's decision to withdraw "washing up time" during shifts, but the dispute is merely one symptom of breadkdown in the relationship between the company and its Cowley employees and a sign of increasingployees and a sign of increasing ly militancy.
Workers at the plant angry at

what they regard as the autocratic attitue adopted by a mangement attempting to raise

productivity.

No further meetings are planned at the plant until next Friday, but there will now be closer involvement of national officers of the Transport and General Workers' Union. The Advisory Conciliation and Arbitration Service is likely

to intervene in an attempt to resolve the dispute.

Shop stewards at the works had recommended rejection of a revised peace formula from the company which would have phased out cleaning up time

over a longer period.

Management also said that,
with the cooperation of the workforce, it expected higher bonus earnings would be poss-ible from May 16,

But the union says there can be no return to work until BL gives up its attempts to bring Cowley into line with other works and phase out cleaning up time.

Mr David Buckle, Oxford district secretary of the TGWU, told the strikers yesterday: "Some people believe this is an olive branch from the company.

It is a stinging nettle and if you grasp it you will be stung."

Mr Harold Musgrove, Austin Rover chairman, has warned that a project to build a new executive car, codenamed XX, scheduled to be built by BL and Honda, was under threat because of the stoppage.

yesterday announced a fresh attempt to persuade workers at its Halewood plant in Merseyside to accept radical changes in working practices. Unions have threatened to strike over the attempt to introduce what they call "Japanese-style" patterns of work (The Press Association reports).

Ford hopes to show all 9,700 employees a video film intended to allay their fears.

Spitfire sold for £260,000

A Second World War Spitfire fighter, sold for £260,000 at a Christie's auction yesterday, will stay in Britain. The Spitfire, Mark IX, reckoned by pilots to be the best of its type, was bought by an unnamed British

Squadron Leader Ray Hanna. who bid for the aircraft on behalf of the syndicate, said: We all wanted to keep the aeroplane in Britain. It belongs to this country," The auction was held at Duxford airfield,

syndicate.

near Cambridge. Squadron Leader Hanna,

former leader of the RAF Red Arrow display team, said he hoped to fly the Spitfire away later. He did not know where it Attenborough flies into storm of protest

Soweto. "It is most certainly my

intention to go."

Either he had to accept

segreated audiences or not have

"I believe that the content of the film - and it is not being

both white and black seeing the

film."
"If the price for that was

segregated audiences, that was

the price I was prepared to accept providing I was absol-

utely assured that wherever it

was shown to white audiences it

would be shown to black as

Sir Richard, who arrived back with his wife Lady Sheila,

said he believed the film could

help the situation in South

Africa. "I do not claim Gandhi

is a great political film. It is

chance to touch people and it

deals with human dignity and

film shown in South Africa:

Thatcher backs Cunard

By Anthony Bevins Political Correspondent Mrs Margaret Thatcher, the Prime Minister, yesterday sup-ported the Cunard decision to send the Cunard Countess to a Maltese shipyard for a post-

Falklands refit She told MPs during Com-mons question time: "It does not seem to me unreasonable to say that we must have the ship back in the condition in which she was chartered by a certain

date."
Efforts had been made, she said, to find a British yard which could carry out the refit in time for the ship to be back in the Caribbean, for cruise work, on July 9.
"It was vital", she said, "that

the ship should be back on duty by July 9. It is disappointing that yards which did so well during the Falklands war were not able, in peacetime, to match that."
Mr Michael Foot, the Oppo-

sition leader, said that the Prime Minister's response would add to the country's sense of outrage. "If she is so unwilling or unable to do anything about it, will she at least crase the hypocrisy of exhorting people to buy Brit-ish?", he asked. He also asked whether the

Government supported the stiff penalty clause which Cunard had imposed on the contract, and suggested that since the Ministry of Defence would bear 40 per cent of the cost of the refit, the Government could have threatened to withhold its contribution unless the work was done in British

Mrs Thatcher insisted that Cunard had its own cruise deadlines to meet, and that non-British yards had been able to

yards.

S. Reddy, an assistant secretary with a number of poeple had been granted a permit to general at the UN with special involved with the situation in attend the black première in Continued on back page, col 1 Parliamentary Report, page 4

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Jail chaos

fear after

dismissal

By Peter Evans Home Affairs Correspondent

Officers' Association (POA).

Mr Bryan Benwell, chairman of the Dartmoor branch for 12

years, said he was stunned by

the decision and hoped the

association would go ahead with its threat to order 22,000

members to take protest action.

cided to suspend action pending

the outcome of a personal

hearing from a Prison Depart-

ment official requested by Mr

Benwell as a stage in the appeal

The report of the hearing concluded that the arguments in

Mr Benwell's favour did not

of intention to dismiss him. The

Associations national executive

will decide on its next move

latet this month, but almost any

protest action would seriously inconvenience a system already in crisis and could bring it to

tion to reduced manning levels

nothing ot do with Mr Benwell's

Conditions in Scttish

prisons and attitudes to pris-

oners have been called appalling

by a prison governor (Our

Glasgow Correspondent writes).

Mr Alex Spencer the warden of

Glenochil Detention Centre near Alloa, claims in the Journal of the Association of

Scottish Prison officers "no noe

realizes the appalling conditions

in which prisoners and staff have to live and work".

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The prison system moved

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Judge bans 'plagiarized' TV music

A 30-second television adverwas "extremely similar" to the Chariots of Fire theme, has been banned from all Independent dent Television channels from midnight today. Mr Justice Vinelott, in the High Court in London yesterday, said the music for the Clark's Shoes television advertisement was 'blatant plagiarism".

The judge granted Warner Brothers Music, a subsidiary of the film makers, and Spheric, a Dutch company which owns the world rights in the Chariots' theme, injunctions against Mr Graham De Wilde, the composer of the Clark's theme; KPM Music, an EMI subsidiary; and Collette Dickenson Pearce, the advertising agents who produced the commercial.

Later the Court of Appeal peal against the injunctions.

£240,000 in Blackpool fund

The fund set up after three police officers and a man were drowned at Blackpool in January, has now topped £240,000. Payments have been made to police widows Mrs Bernandine Connolly and Mrs Hilary Morrison, and to the parents of Policewoman Angela Bradley. Police Constable Pat Abraham who also dived into the sea in the unsuccessful attempt to save Mr Alistair Anthony, will also receive a payment. The remainder of the fund, is to be placed in trust for the six children who

Tree-felling farmer freed

Hugh Batchelor, a farmer was released from Pentonville Prison in north London last night after the Court of Appeal ruled that he was eligible for remission on his 20-day sen-tence for good conduct in jail.

Mr Batchelor, of Fernham Court, Bearsted, Maidstone. was jailed by a High Court judge on March 30 for felling irees on the North Downs Pilgrims Way, a preservation orca, in breach of court

£7,260 damages over cycle crash

A collision in July, 1980 between two cyclists, one of them a village postman, culmi-nated in an award of £7,260 against the Post Office in the High Court yesterday.

Mr William Baylis-Strover, aged 58, of Cranbrook, Kent, who fractured his arm and elbow, claimed that the injury affected his ability to cycle Lawyers agreed it was the first bicycle collision case for 12

NFU in claim over tip crows Mid-Wales has a bigger

carrion crow problem than any other part of Britain, Montgomery District Council's health committee was told yesterday. But the committee is accepting no liability for lambs killed near a council refuse tip. The National Farmers Union

has filed claims against the council for cattle losses because the farmers say there was no crow menace before the council opened the tip.

Move to ban mouse racing

The Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals may take legal action to end a wave of mouse racing meetings in public houses and A recent meeting at the Three

Tuns Hotel at Honiton in Devon, attended by 65 enthusiasts, is being investigated by the society, which says mouse races are cruel and illegal. The organizer of the Honiton event has denied any cruelty.

Rail death

One youth died and a second was critally injured yesterday after their motorcycle was in collision with a train on the Ty Haul railway crossing about 500 vards from Porthmadog station in Gwynedd, north Wales.

VC injured

Brigadier Sir John Smyth, aged 89, one of Britain's oldest holders of the Victoria Cross and a former Conservative MP, had broken two ribs in a fall at this home in Dolphin Square,

Longleat theft Thieves yesterday broke into

a state dining room at Longleat House, Wiltshire, the home of Lord Bath, and stole between 16 and 20 antique sauff boxes worth at least £10,000.

Keren sets sail

The Keren, the vessel at the centre of a dispute when she was taken over by the Royal Navy, set off from the Tyne pit, yesterday on her 8,000-mile voyage to the Falkland Islands.

New boundaries Pater Brooker will bring tisement for children's shoes, showing children running along a sandy beach to music which for some MPs

By Anthony Bevins, Political Correspondent

election.

of Commons authorities have ruled that 506 of the present 635

The Labour Party is emuled that 506 of the present 635

barking on the most difficult conceins the conceinencies barking on the most difficult conceins the conceinence of the con parliamentary constituencies will have ceased to exist at the next election within the terms of the redundancy grants resolution passed by the Commons aries; contests open to all-comin December 1971, That resolution said that if an

MP failed to be elected at a general election, or did not stand for election "in circumstances where the constituency for which he was a Member of this House has ceased to exist", he or she should be eligible for

Payments are based on the parliamentary salary, presenting £14,510. They range from 50 per cent of a year's salary, for those aged under 50 and with less than 10 years' service, to 100 per cent for those aged between 55 and 64, with more than 15 years' service.

Mr John Sever, the Labour MP for Birmingham, Ladywood, who has been rejected by his constituency party, and is therefore not entitled to go for selection for any of the revised constituencies in the Ladywood area, could receive a payment worth 50 per cent of salary because Ladywood ceases to exist. Mr Sever, 40 this month, has been an MP since 1977.

Similarly, Mr Raymond Mawby, the Conservative MP for Tomes, who failed to be selected for either Teignbridge or South Hams, new seats created from Totnes, would be eligible for the full severance payment because he is 61 and has been an MP since 1955. It is understood that the only

Miners aim | Cancer rate for 4-day week deal

By Paul Routledge Labour Editor

Miners' leaders yesterday decided to seek a new technology agreement with the National Coal Board, aimed at nology agreement with the National Coal Board, aimed at reducing the industry's working week to four days and the retirement age to 55.

Goudled since the Second votal to the office of Mr Leslie War, because of advances in to the office of Mr Leslie Wheeler the regional director for the South West. The department said its action had retirement age to 55.

He was speaking at the The National Union of opening at the Stock Exchange

agreement on wages and con-ditions that does not expire until October 31.

If the coal board management rejects the claim, a union ban will be imposed on the introduction of sophisticated coal-getting equipment. In-itially, it could affect the Selby coal field, which is due to come

on stream" later this month. Mr Arthur Scargill, president of the NUM, said yesterday: "All the eloquence and justice and logic in the world will not convince the Government or the coal board to concede our legitimate demands. It is only when we concentrate their minds wonderfully that they

work in this industry. He said if the coal board wanted to continue its rapid introduction of machinery, then it would have to negotiate terms with the union. "If the board refuses on this occasion, we shall simply refuse to accept new technology." But the coal board is likely to reject the move to reopen the industry's wages and conditions agreement in mid-term.

A ban on new technology would particularly affect the five Selby mines, upon which the coal board has pinned much hope for the future. Remote controlled machinery means that 10 million tonnes can be mined using only 4,000 miners, compared with 16,000 now required to produce the same amount of coal in the highcapacity Doncaster coal field

The final hurdle before development of the Belvoir coal field was crossed yesterday (our Environment Correspondent

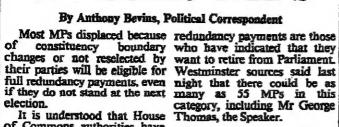
The planning and recreation subcommittee of Leicestershire County Council decided, with authority from the full council, to accept a planning application from the National Coal Board to develop the first and least controversial Belvoir mine at Asfordby, near Melton Asfordby, near Mowbray.

The subcommittee attached to its approval a long list of conditions, which await acceptance by the board.

The National Coal Board is to close the Sorn mine in Brynmor John, Opposition Ayrshire, with the eventual loss spokesman on social security, of 220 jobs (our Glasgow explain conflicting costings for

Correspondent writes).

Mr Albert Wheeler, NCB there is a difference between the area director, said yesterday the first full-year cost of the pit, which is making a considerable loss, would close on April cost which would apply when



aspect of its selection procedures to find candidates for the new parliamentary bound-With more than 223 candi-

dates already selected under tight, new rules which restrict the bulk of contests to candidates already selected for existing constituencies, party leaders have been delighted by the smoothness and efficiency that has been displayed to far that has been displayed so far.

It is understood that the more difficult open contests, particularly, for the better labour seats, are being deliberately held back

But this week's edition of Labour Weekly lists the new Labour seat of Livingstone, in West Lothian, along with 16 nearer to chaos yesterday as the other constituency parties inviting nominations for open an official of the Prison

in an effort to damp down

Mr Robin Cock, the Labour MP for Edinburgh, Central, whose constituency is swallowed up by a much larger new Conservative seat, is a likely applicant for the Livingstone momination. Mr Wedgwood Benn, who is challenging Mr Michael Cocks, the Labour Chief Whip, for the new Bristol, South, has also been mooted as a possibility for the seat.

The other constituency Labour parties inviting nominations for open selection are: other group of MPs automati-cally excluded from receiving

of survival is doubled

By a Staff Reporter

The number of people surviving cancer has more than doubled since the Second World

Mineworkers' (NUM) executive of an exhibition depicting the POA activities. is demanding an early answer history and the work of the history and the work of the from the National Coal Board on its claim for retirement 10 years before the state age for The exhibition is sponsored by finishing work, longer holidays the Yorkshire Building Society, and a four day week, despite and will be open to the public in having signed a year-long the visitors' gallery over the next two months. Mr Ogilvy said experts no

longer expected a miracle cure the war against cancer was likely to be long and costly.

Also present at last night's opening were Sir Anthony Jolliffe, Lord Mayor of London, and Mr Patrick Mitford-Slade, deputy chairman of the Stock

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His triumph changed the world forever.

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Leaders of the Irish Repub-lic's three main political parties the strain it will face in and Mr John Hume, leader of attempting to tackle economic the Social Democratic and questions. Labour Party met yesterday to
discuss arrangements for setting
up a forum to produce a
blueprint for a united Ireland.

Dukes, for a speech in which he

Although they had been expected to reveal details of the chairman, membership and venue for the forum they are to meet again next week after consultations with their col-

A statement issued after the meeting said it had been constructive and considerable progress had been made. It is understood that Dublin Castle will be the venue for the forum, but there could be difficulties over finding a chairman accept-

able to all parties.

The statement said that the first meeting of the forum, in which there will be no partici-pation by northern Unionists or the Alliance Party, will be held before the end of May with its work being completed before Meanwhile, the coalition government in Dublin faced an

the verge of chaos.

The POA says Mr Benwell is being victimized because of his embarrassing split yesterday with an angry public rebuke from the Labour leader and union activities and his opposdeputy Prime Minister to the Minister for Finance over remarks he made about subsidies and charges for health and education services.

The damaging controversy within the Fine Gael-Labour government is the second involving the two men since Dr Garret Fitzgerald was returned

Mower test inconclusive

The confrontation between rival lawnmowers from Qual-cast and Flymo ended inconclusively yesterday. A demon-stration at Stoke Mandeville Hospital in Buckinghamshire, appeared to prove the Qual-cast machine superior, although there were allegations that the Flymo was not properly operated.

However, the Independent Television Companies Associ-

event, and will be organizing a

said housing, transport and food and agricultural subsidies

would be reviewed, there would be fewer jobs in the public

service, greater control of social

welfare spending and people would have to pay for health

Mr Dukes told businessmen

that if there was to be a

substantial reduction in public

38, a sergeant in the Territorial

Army, was murdered on Wed-

Shots were fired at a security

and education services.

separate private test to see whether Flymo is justified in its complaints that the present Qualcast television advertisement misrepresents the performance of its Flymo In the meantime the adver-

tisement will continue to be shown, although the wording of the voice-over by Mr John

doubt for Fairbairn

move to have him declared the

It is understood that what is Le resigned as Solicitor General reduction in the tax burden there would have to be a ast year amid controversy over as also been widely publicized Mr Fairbairn has represented

 In one of the largest security the present seat of kinross and Perthshire, West, the past 10 years. He faces strong oppo-sition from Mr David Myles, a operations mounted on the border, hundreds of police and troops from Northern Ireland and the republic carried out widespread searches in the mountainous country of south Armagh and in county Monaghan (our Belfast Corresponden The operation, on the north-ern side, extended to Keady, where Mr Trevor Elliott, aged

van and an escorting police car in a £100,000 raid near Cobh, man." He added that he did not regard himself as a favourite. but was hopeful of winning.

yesterday. The raiders were thought to have been armed with an Armalite rifle, the favourite weapon of the IRA (the Press Association reports). association might decide.

Selection

The parliamentary career of Mr Nicholas Fairbairn, MP, the former Conservative Solicitor. eneral of Scotland, will be lecided next week when he stands for selection to the new seat of Perth and Kinross. A sole nominal for the seat failed to secure a proposer and he has now been told that he must face an open contest for the nomi-nation by the local Conserva-tive Association.

Mr Fairbahm declined discuss the selection but said he expects to win. Mr Ranald

Mr Peter Kent, a railway worker at Crewe, has been selected as the Labour prospec-

constituency association sec-retary, said he could not comment on what the new

Mr Francis Maude, a barrister and son of Sir Angus Maude, a former Paymaster-General in Mrs Thatcher's government, has been chosen as Tory parliamentay candidate for the new scat of North Warwick-

seen as Mr Fairbairu's "flam-boyant" lifestyle has upset several prominent local Tories. his handling of a Glasgow rape case. His recent divorce action

farmer and present Tory MP for Banff, and Mr David Amory, is Amory, who was Chancellor of the Exchequer between 1958 and 1960. Mr Amory stood for the Tories in Brent, South, at the last general election. Mr Amory, when asked if he had heard of any bad feeling towards Mr Fairbairn, said: No, but it is no concern of

Kingsley-Brown, his present

tive parliamentary candidate for the new seat of South

west Italian coast, the satel-lite transmitted spectacular images of tagli (special types of tidal cores resembling those seen in estuaries) and circle ways spreading out single waves spreading out from the mouth of the Strait of Messina 30km into the Tyrrhenian Sea, like ripples on a pond.' This was the first time that

the University of Hamburg and Dr Ettore Salusti of the

the two. Because the water in the Ionian Sea is slightly saltier and therefore heavier than the water to the north, a steady bottom current is set up moving northwards through the strait, together nephew of Mr Heathcoat with a surface current moving in the opposite direction. in the Mediterranean which is out of phase at opposite ends of the strait. When this tide reverses, the heavy water from the Ionian Sea rushes head-on against the slowly receding lighter water from the Tyrrhenian Sea, causing

> gate internal waves These features were de-tected by the satellite's radar, as was Charybdis in the form of a vortex at the northern end of the strait pear the Sicilian town of Ganzirri, where the water passes the end of a narrow peninsula.

the tagii to form and propa-

Science report

Scylla and

Charybdis

lose all

credibility

By the Staff of Nature

and Charybdis are two im-

mortal monsters dwelling in

the narrow Strait of Messina

separating Sicily from Italy.

Their existence was invoked

by Homer in The Odyssey to explain the strong currents and vortices in the area. Being immortal they should of course still be there today.

Now an oceanographic sateltite has observed their effects, but a less dramatic expla-

nation for the local currents

has been proposed.

The Seasat satellite uses

radar to give high resolution

images of the Earth which are

particularly useful for detect-ing subtle large-scale features on the surface of the seas and

In a flight over the south-

such "internal waves" had been observed coming from the strait, aithough they have

been recorded from near the Strait of Gibraltar.

From the satellite images and from measurements taken

on an Italian research ship in

the area, Dr Werner Alpers of

University of Rome have now

been able to come up with a

satisfactory explanation of the strong currents in the strait, without recourse to

The strait is shallow compared to the Tyrrhenian

Sea to the north and the

Ionian Sea to the south, and

forms a bottleneck between

In Greek mythology Scylla

· All told, the explanation put forward by Dr Alpers and Dr Salusti is more credible than that either of Homer or of Aristotle, who suggested that Scylla and Charybdis were produced by hollows in the seafloor and an interaction of two wind-generated currents. Source: Journal of Geophysical

Research (Vol 88, p 1,800).

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Policeman 'drove car at wife'

A former beauty queen told a jury yesterday that her "violent and jealous" husband drove a powerful car straight at her and her companion. concede things to those who

Miss Ann Melling, an air hostess, was giving evidence on the second day of the trial at Manchester Crown Court in which her husband, Rodney Kettle, a policeman, denies attempting to cause her griev-ous bodily harm.

The prosecution has alleged

that Mr Kettle, aged 30, of St John's Avenue, Warrington, Cheshire, was inflamed by jealousy and passion, and deliberately drove at his wife and a friend, Mr Alan Dawson, after finding them in a public house. The former "Miss Coal

Queen" was saved when Mr Dawson shielded her, but he sustained a broken leg.

Miss Melling, who has changed her name by Deed Poll, said that her husband threatened to kill her. "He told me: I'll kill you, you bitch', and I heard the car rev up hard. I turned round and it was coming straight at us".
Miss Melling described her husband as violent and jealous.

Two of Mr Michael Foot's Shadow Cabinet colleagues

have revealed that their leader's

12-point plan for pensioners, published on March 1, is a "phased programme" which would be introduced over the

In a letter to The Times, Mr

Peter Shore, Shadow Chancellor

of the Exchequer, and Mr

the programme by saying that

the package had been fully £500m in a full year.

lifetime of a Parliament.





Miss Ann Melling and her husband, Mr Rodney Kettle.

implemented.

The document, Labour's 10 that he had allocated Plan. The New Hope for Britain. £2,000m for increases in bene-

made no reference to pensions fits and pensions, including a £2 in its Emergency Programme of a week rise in child benefit, Action, but it was said at the which would cost £1,100m, and

time that that had been an the extenson of long-term

from the National Pensioner's out of work for more than a

Convention on March 1 that a year. At an extra £10.60 for

Labour government would give a couple, that would cost the nine million pensioners an £400m, leaving only £500m for

increase of £1.45 a week for pensioners.

Single pensioners and £2.25 for Mr Shore also said that he

married pensioners, to make would "make progress" on the good the Conservatives' ending restoration of the link between

of the earnings link, "at the first the pension and earnings. opportunity". That would cost

Mr Foot had told a delegation the one million who had been

and tore pages from her diary chest saying that they contained the telephone numbers of other

Cost conflict in Labour pensions

By Our Political Correspondent

implemented.

oversight.

She said that he once tipped a go back to him and when she carton of flea powder over her refused he hit her about the head, had ripped her clothing head and kicked her on the

Outside the public house he men.

Miss Melling said that on the night of the alleged incident she had gone for a drink with Mr Dawson when her husband the car collided with Alan's legs", she said.

The case continues today.

supplementary benefit rates to

Squirrels put trees in danger

By John Young Agricultural Correspondent

Thousands of young trees are at risk because of an expected renewed rise in the grey squirrel population.
The last such sudden increase

was in the early 1970s and led to legislation permitting the use of the poison Warfarin. Fears were then expressed for the survival of oak, beech and sycamore trees; there was talk of experimentation with sterility pills, and there were even works were back in full suggestions that the animals should be killed and eaten. A mild winter and a copious

population explosion. The Forestry Commission which in most years has played down the grey squarel problem so as to concentrate people's minds when it became serious has warned woodland owners to

be on the alert this spring and

summer and to prepare traps

and poisonous baits.

Squirrels kill trees by strip-ping off the bark, mainly between May and July. Scientific observations suggest that stripping is more commonly a manifestation of aggression rather than hunger. Young hardwoods between 10 and 40 years old are most at risk, but conifers are also vulnerable, the commission says.

Murder hunt

Police yesterday started murder hunt after the burnt, headless and handless body of a youth was found on waste

Rebels drift back, but steel plants close

Rebel steelworkers in South subsequent picketing whic. Yorkshire started to report for caused the shutdowns. Workshire started to report for work yesterday after being urged by their union to stop unofficial action.

Caused ine snutdowns.

The dispute stemmed form protests over corporation attempts to reduce the workforce.

But the British Steel Corporwork in those departments had jobs by June. (The Press to be assured before they could Association reports). reopen. Furnaces in other parts of the works have been lit and

production and the situation at Rotherham was "significantly improved". Craftsmen there, autumn harvest of beech nuts, however, are still refusing to chestnuts and acorns are work and their union officials blamed for the latest predicted are being asked to get their members back to work.

> It was the refusal of 900 craftsmen to accept a return-towork call from the Iron and almost a year, to announce to Steel Trades Confederation and the merger plans had ended.

By Barrie Clement, Labour Reporter

ation said it had been forced to The corporaton announced close the melting shop and yesterday that is to close the continuous casting plant at slabbing mill at Ravenscraig.

Templeborough A full return to Scotland, with the loss of 128

> Plans for a union merger between journalists and print workers as part of a strategy to create a single media were finally ahandoned yesterday after the Naional Union of Journalists, (NUJ) conference refused to hand over amalgamation negotiations to its executive, (David Felton writes from Dundee).
> That decision led the

National Graphical Associ-

ation, (NGA), with whom the NUJ Has been negitiating for

almost a year, to announce that

Chess lead narrows

By Harry Golombek, Chess Correspondent The most important pairing

Charlton Jubilee International in round eight, which is the Chess Tournament, J Richard-penultimate round of the competition, is that between toch Laird, Prie, and Stebbings tournament.

were all on 41/2.

Richardson may lose his narrow lead since he looks like losing his twice adjourned game from round seven against Plaskett Plaskett increased his advantage by winning a pawn in the Queen and pawn ending.
Adjourned games, result round six McNab 0, Arkell 1.

points and one adjourned game. Hebden and Plaskett which followed by Hebden 5, Plaskett started yesterday with a Sicilian 4½ and 1 adjourned. Arkell, defence. Whichever player wins defence. Whichever player wins . Condie Donven, Flesch, Har- this game should win the

Overseas selling prices
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Yorkshire Ripper says fellow-prisoner attacked him with glass

who is alleged to have attacked turned the tap off, was aware of the presence of another person.

evidence handcuffed to a prison about two strides and stiddenly officer in the witness box at I was subject to a particularly Newport Magistrates Court on the Isle of Wight, said: "Suddenly I was subject to a particularly nasty, totally unexpected and unprovoked attack. The first that the prosecution case was particularly nasty, totally unexpected and unprovoked attack."

I was subject to a particularly nasty, totally unexpected and unprovoked attack. The first that the prosecution case was particularly nasty, totally unexpected and unprovoked attack."

Defore it smashed into my crown court, the magistrates overruled a defence submission that the prosecution case was particularly nasty, totally unexpected and unprovoked attack."

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and open-necked blue shirt. Sutcliffe, who was bearded, wore a golden cross on a chain around his neck.

laceration at the outer upper part of his left eye and a laceration to his upper left cyclid. He lost some blood and was in a state of mild shock. He underwent an operation to repair superficial muscle dam-

£500m dock

leisure

centre plan

By Baron Phillips

Planning permission for the

Mr Gerald Ronson. It is

The scheme would provide

is the heart of the develop-

ment is a large convention

centre similar to ones in the

raited States where convention

ence and convention facilities,

there will be extensive hotel

accommodation, a leigure park,

ancillary offices and shops, housing and some light indus-

A Heron spokesman said last

night that the location was right

for such a scheme. The com-

granted outline planning con-sent and it would then spend

several million pounds on a research and feasibility study. In the 1960s Heron developed a large housing and

hopping centre at Yate, a

Bristol suburb, but since then it

has grown into one of the largest

private multinational com-

panies in Britain. Its interests

cover property development

and investment, petrol stations,

cur sales, house building, electronics and insurance, and

are spread throughout Europe

and North America.

would provide the largest and

most extensive convention and

Part of Carnaby Street, once

the heart of "swinging" London

in the 1960s, has been sold for-

sisure facilities in Europe.

three quarters of the street.

irial development.

thousands of jobs in the area.

ere lifted.

"I did not pay particular given on the court records as Sutcliffe, aged 37, who gave attention to who it was I took c/o Broadmoor Hospital, was



arriving at

Peter Sutcliffe, the Yorkshire
Ripper, told a court yesterday
that another prisoner at Parkhurst Prison hit him in the face
with a glass jur.
Sutcliffe was giving evidence
at the hearing of a charge
against James Costello, aged 35.
Who is allested to have attacked

Sutcliffe told the magistrates
he was a prisoner in the hospital
tight security two and a half
hours before the hearing was
due to start, was driven away in
a prison van almost immediat the hearing of a charge
against James Costello, aged 35.

He filled a bowl and, as he
waited outside the court and
there was some booing there was some booing Costello, whose address was

> committed for trial at Newport Crown Court. The magistrates

Pointing to the left side of his face. Suncliffe added: "It hit me giving him advice when he was

There a golden cross on a chain around his neck.

Costello sat in the dock in the dock analysed by two prison officers. He is accused of wounding Sutcliffe in Parkhurst on January 10 with intent to do him grievous bodily harm.

Mr Graham Grant-Whyte, for the Director of Public Prosecutions, told the court Sutcliffe suffered a severe injury in the attack, and needed surgery.

He had a deep laceration five inches long across his face, a two and a half inch deep laceration at the outer upper part of his left eye and a severe injury to his left eye and a severe in the outer upper part of his left eye and a severe in the outer upper part of his left eye and a severe in the dock, as the person who in his relationships with other prisoners. "Aren't you a rather unpopular person?" Mr Ader asked. "Yes, but it does not affect me because it is an ignorant opinion they hold. Anyway, they just do not understand," Sutcliffe said. Asked if he was aware that his story would be worth money if he told it to the press, Sutcliffe replied: "That is the trouble with society today. People are motivated by greed and there are no moral values at all."

Earlier Mr Grant-Whyte, describing the alleged attack, pressed. He denied having difficulties describing the alleged attack, said two blows had been struck and hospital officers had witnessed part of the incident.
Asked what had happened, Mr
Costello said Sutcliffe had
attacked him.



experiments should be confined to the prevention, diagnosis and

were published yesterday by a should be added to that list as soon as there is a reasonable prospect of a sufficient supply.

The Committee for the Reform of Animal Experimentation and development of its kind in Britain.

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purposes, the welfare of the animals, the survival of the species and the quality of the experimental material should be taken into account," it says.
"Financial grounds alone
should not be a sufficient reason for an exception to be made."

it is possible to recognize various states of suffering, both For example, a brief painful stimulus, such as the insertion. of a needle through the skin, is probably inconsequential. On the other hand, the stress

The use of cars or dogs taken Dr Tom Gibson, the associ-from the streets should not be ation's vice-president, said it was not at this stage possible to

'greater than on beat'

Mr James Sharp, a former He said: "Can one imagine policeman who works as a the outcry if any chief constable nurse, said yesterday that said the increase in violent hospitals were such violent crime in his area had increased places he felt at greater risk of by over 100 per cent? They being accorded these they were

officer at Whitington Hospital, sister from Watford General Highgate, north London, said Hospital, said she had been hit staff faced a growing number of by patients who become violent

attacks from patients, visitors or aggressive for various rea-



who went to bed after taking campaign against Halcion led to

could have been responsible for adverse reaction than any other

his robot-like behaviour, the court was told.

Mr Johnston was cleared of killer DF-118 in Mr Johnston's driving while unfit due to either blood were "extremely high"

drink or drugs after a 28-bour and that there had been deaths

hearing in which the expert reported at that level. The witness for the defence was Dr "automaton" behaviour could

Halcion.

The go-anywhere phone

Gone are the days of having to be in earshot of the telephone when waiting for a call or being frustrated by hearing it ring just before stepping into the bath. Britain now has its first officially approved cordless phone, allowing the user to make and receive calls 600ft from the

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telephone's base.

The unit has a base (shown left), which is connected to the normal telephone socket and mains electricity, and a cordless handset powered by a small hattery, linked with the base by radio frequency. When replaced on the base the handset battery is recharged automatically from the mains

Mr Johnston said that on

August 12 last year, he had gone

to hospital for treatment for an

eye injury, and then to work. By 11.30am he decided to return

He had taken two 30mg DF

118 tablets at 7.15am and,

although the recommended

0.25mg Halcion tablets:

dose was a maximum of two

After the accident, Mr John-

Dr Norman MacLeod, medi-

case reaffirmed Halcion as a

General practitioners supply

contraceptive services on an

item-for-service basis. After

ston was said to have been

home to try to sleep.

The first design was launched yesterday by Fidelity which will market its own brand and has supplied a design to British Telecom, also launched yesterday. Among the first to try it were Suzanne Danielle, the actress, and a policeman on duty in London's Embankment gardens (above). Four other British suppliers

have been given approval to sell cordless telephones. They are Plessey, which is expected to manufacture two models. Conversation Pieces, Answercall and Geemarc.

The sets, which cost about £170, are expected to threaten the telephone extension mar-

ket. Top photograph: John Mannin

BBC attack on jamming Driver 'woke' after car crash

by Russia

Mr Douglas Muggeridge, the managing director of BBC External Broadcasting, yesterday launched a stinging attack on what he called "a politically-motivated and carefully orchestrated campaign"against inter-national broadcasting, led by the Soviet Union and the

every six to eight hours, he took two more. He also took the two Eastern block.

Speaking to the Diplomatic and Commonwealth Writers' Association in London, he predicted the imminent breakunsteady, uncoordinated and dazed, with slurred speech when questioned at Acton police down of law and order on the airwaves unless there was "a new spirit of understanding". He said. "We are already witnessing a ganging-up of some cal director of Upjohn Ltd. Halcion's manufacturers, said after the case that Mr Johnston nations to prevent the use of satellite technology in international bradcasting. had been lucky not to have killed himself. Evidence in the

"The widespread use jamming by the Soviet Union and other countries in many making a nonsense of all the international conventions for the orderly use of the airwaves." Russia jammed the BBC "in

order to try and prevent us on their own admission from being widely heard and believed in Russia". It was the BBC's credibility which was the ultimate affront to the men of the Kremiin. Mr Muggeridge also reiter-

ated his concern at last December's vote in the United Nations which had implied that nations should have the right to block satellite television broadcasts from abroad.

used to wreck home

Hammer

Rodney Towler, aged 49, was committed to prison for a month at Southend County Court yesterday for making his estranged wife homeless, which Judge Gordon Rice ruled was in breach of an earlier order not to

molest her.

The judge had also pre-viously ordered Towler, an unemployed heating engineer with three children, to leave the matrimonial home in Hadleigh Park Avenue, Thundersley, Essex, by April 2. In an affidavit Mrs Margaret

Towler said she returned home to find the roof partly ripped off, windows smashed and a water cylinder punctured, causing flooding. Ceilings were bulging or collapsed, there were holes in the walls and the playatory and bathroom basin were smashed. The repairs totalled £4,500. The husband admitted causing the damage

Doctor for trial on drug charges

Pierre Jonescu, aged 82, a Pierre Jonescu, aged 82, a Romanian-born retired Harley Street doctor facing 20 charges of forging prescriptions for heroin substitute drugs, was remanded on bail by Marl-borough Street magistrates yesterday for trial at the Central

Since he first appeared in court on November 17 Dr Jonescu, of Hallam Street, Marylebone, central London, has been remanded in custody in his absence each week while being treated for chronic bron-

Council buys ponies at risk

Somerset County Council has paid £1,300 from the rates to help to save the world's oldest breed of horse from extinction. Three mares, a filly and a colt

have been bought to protect the Exmoor breed, which has only 150 mares surviving in their natural environment and has been declared an endangered species. The council bought six mares and a stallion two years ago, and five mares are now in

Manx death penalty vote

A report recommending the retention of the death penalty for murder in the Isle of Man will go before Manx MPs in almost certain to be accepted. But death sentences passed by Manx courts will continue to

be commuted to life imprison-

ment by the Home Secretary

"for the foreseeable future"

Two West German submarines and their mother ship arrive on a three-day visit to Orkney today. They form part of the Third Federal German Submarine Squadron and will have a total complement of 126.

Footballer dies

Gerald Hitchins, aged 48, a former England international and Aston Villa player, colapsed and died during a village football match in Hope, North Wales, on Wednesday evening. He lived in Holywell, Clwyd.

ments. Their report suggests that

development, which is expected to cost at least £500m, is being sought by the international Heron Corporation headed by treatment of diseases in humans, animals or plants, including the safety testing of medicines and the quality scheme will be considered by medicines and me quanty woodspring District Council control of foods; the detection of physiological conditions, of physiological conditions, expected that an outline of the The site is about three miles outside Bristol city centre the Royal Portury Dock and the Portishead Dock. The vacant land is owned by Bristol City Corporation and the Central Electricity Generat-

conducting them should be immobilization of the animal licensed by the Home Office, it may be severe.

business is thought to be eleventh largest industry in the eccuntry. Apart from the confer-

Wife 'used as

kennel maid'

gains divorce

A wife whose husband was

said to have used her as "a kennel maid" for their dogs and

apart from that ignored her was

granted a divorce yesterday.

The behaviour of Mr William

Ivens, aged 47, was more than his wife, Joy, aged 55, could be expected to tolerate any longer.

Judge Patricia Coles ruled in the

London Divorce Court.

The judge said that after 21

years of marriage the "only common denominator" left between Mr and Mrs Ivens was

their interest in their eight

relations with her for seven

the judge said. He did not even

"It is obvious Mr Ivens is

running his own life completely

Saluki dogs.

The sale was of about 180,000 sq ft of shops and offices on the west side of the

offices on the west side of the estate agents, had not com-street. Peachey Properties, the municated with his wife for

new owners, now control about years, had not had sexual

animal experiments

The report notes that the difficulty of defining, pain, suffering or distress has not been resolved satisfactorily. But

in intensity and direction. ments are carried out and those imposed in the restraint and

says. Applications for licences Mr Neal King, president of should be countersigned by two the British Veterinery Associsponsors holding senior ation, said yesterday that the appointments in biological report represented an important sciences meeting of minds between With the exception of farm responsible welfare organizanimals, those used in experitions and was a significant ments should be bred for the advance in establishing a purpose, the report suggests cornerstone for legislation.

Mice, rats, gninea pigs, exclude cosmetics from being rabbits, dogs, cats and hamsters tested on animals. Should be acquired only from Vets' dilemma, page 10

Mr Sharp, a night nursing

more security staff to make hospitals safer. "The sad truth

today is that a nurse's uniform

is no longer protection against

attack. It may well make her a

target," he added.

Mr Sharp told reporters
attending the Royal College of

and violent threats against staff

had increased to 47 in a five-

month period last year com-

pared with only 21 during the

Dutch psychiatrist. GPs paid up to £250,000 in error

Drugs on trial

By Frances Gibb, Legal Affairs Correspondent

its ban in Holland, said Mr

Johnston's "automatism" re-sembled that which he had seen

in many of the 1,000 cases he had analysed. He thought it highly probable that the

behaviour had been caused by

Lader, Professor at London

University's Institute of Psy-

chiatry, said that Halcion in the

recommended dose in Britain,

which is lower than it was in Holland, "has not been associ-

ated with a higher incidence of

Professor Malcolm

Dr van der Kroef, whose

Sheffield City Council's twice for contraceptive services health department has been supplied to NHS patients in the asked for advice on how to recover the overpayment of National Health Service funds, The overpayments, which may total about £250,000, have been

due to an administrative error, to family doctors in the city. made over a number of years by the Sheffield Family Practitioner Committee.

A company sales executive

sleeping tablets and pain killers,

woke up in a police station and

heard how he had driven through red traffic lights and then crashed his car, West London magistrates at Acton

Raymond Johnston, aged 39,

of Haygarth Mews, Wimbledon, had no recollection of the crash after he had taken two Halcion

sleeping tablets. He had also

taken two dihydrocodeine tab-lets (DF-118), a strong pain killer which, coupled with a similar dose a few hours earlier.

were told yesterday.

Some doctors have been paid Assault risk in wards

Miss Pauline Bryant a night

by patients who become violent

"All of a sudden, they spring

could not summon help.

city. Some practices are said to have been overpaid by up to £3,000 and there is a strong likelihood they will have to repay the money.

Mr Philip Nuttall, the committee's administrator, said that the amount to be recovered from doctors in the city would depend on the departmental view on how we handle it".

making out a prescription, they send a claim form to the family practitioner committee detail ing the type of service supplied and the committee reimburses the money. A Sheffield doctor claimed yesterday that it was possible that busy doctors in large practices could overlook the extra payments.

Glasgow could prove to be an economically attractive location

He said staff were often afraid to leave the safety of drawal.

The said staff were often afraid to leave the safety of drawal. Can cabling Britain be Profitable, a report published yester-day and prepared by National Economic Research Associates up in the middle of the night. International, a firm of consult-They are suddenly irrational, ing economists. The results are These people have no bounds of based on a study of four sample strength, even old folk. When cable franchise areas. London, they get aggressive they are so Glasgow, Leicester and Nottingstrong."

London cable TV 'may

omic.

attending the Royal College of Nursing annual meeting in Bournemouth that violence was widespread.

A study at one hospital in London franchise did not come between them and the ward telephone or London showed that assaults could not summon help.

She said nurses had to be on Fulham, Kensington and Chelbauther and the ward telephone or their personal radio so that they could not summon help.

be uneconomic'

By Our Electronics

being assaulted there than when would have been screaming in for cable television operators in he was on the beat.

Parliament."

for cable television operators in spite of its concentration of spite of its concentration of lower income groups while London, once thought to be the most potentially lucrative area for cable, may prove unecon-The findings are contained in

The report concludes:
"Households with children are Mr Trevor Clay the college's much more likely to subscribe general secretary, said the issue to cable; in this respect London of violence would be discussed looks less attractive for cabling by the ruling council next week. than the other franchise areas.

Police support for more aid to crime victims

By Peter Evans, Home Affairs Correspondent

Strong police backing for a bomb attack. big expansion of aid to victims

In Islington, volunteers pro- elsewhere until she recovered.

of crime is pledged by Sir vided urgently needed aid for a Then, to keep her spirits up,

Kenneth Newman, Metropoli- blind man who was assaulted arrangements were made for her

tan Police Commissioner, as and robbed in the street to attend a day centre. The local

part of his new social contracts Manufacturers of his street beat policeman also kept special big expansion of aid to victims

between police and public.

The aid will be given by notes and reminders, gave him volunteers, with police and another free when volunteers away from the concept of Government support, as part of told them. sociation of Victims Support the Metropolitan Society for the victims," Sir Kenneth writes.

enlist help for victims who need grant during his recovery from big growth nationally in aid to of victims, as well as attempting in the annual report of the Criminal Injuries association's national officer, through crime prevention."

Sir Kenneth announces his from the Criminal Injuries association's national officer, through crime prevention."

The association of the doctor of the home of a in 1922, the national officer of the association of the national officer.

When youths set fire to the increase in people offered help report to have a more extensive. three volunteers spent four days front door of the home of a in 1982, to a new total of cleaning and repairing an Asian Bromley woman aged 88, 41,375. By the end of the year, grocer's shop after a petrol severely shocking her, volun- 2,912 people were working

victim support being a welfare the fast-growing National As- The volunteers also alerted service for a minority of Schemes. The volunteers will Blind to give him an immediate Sir Kenneth's plan is part of a

teers arranged accommodation voluntarily in local schemes, elsewhere until she recovered. Between September 1979 and Then, to keep her spirits up, September 1982, the number of schemes increased from 34 to more schemes are

planned in London, where 16

are already in action. Sir Kenneth's backing means other schemes are now likely. He says: "It is vitally important to harness the community in responding to the needs

voluntary service for victims of crime than any other country in the world.

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Yards unwilling to take risk over **Cunard** refit

SHIP REPAIRING

Mrs Margaret Thatcher, the Prime Minister, said in reply to Labour criticism at question time in the Commons of the decision to send the Cunard Countess to Malta for a

Mr Michael Foot, Leader of the Opposition, said that the Governshould have threatened to old the 40 per cent of the cost which was coming from the taxpayer, unless the work was given to a British yard.

Mrs Thatcher said that it was disappointing that a British yard could not be found to do the work in for the ship to be back in the Caribbean on July 9. Mr Foot said her reply would add to the sense of

The matter was originally raised by Mr Robert Mitchell (Southamp-ton, Itchen, SDP) who asked the Prime Minister. Will she send for the chairmen of Cunard and of British Shipbuilders and explain that 40 per cent of the cost of the refit of Cunard Countess is coming from the taxpayer, that thousands of shippard workers are on the dole. and will she do everything possible to make sure they come to an agreement that the relit should take place in a British yard?

Prior sees

snags in

Irish forum

Any forum, such as that suggested by Dr Garreth FitzGerald in Dublin, or any other initiative which in any way put at risk the view of the majority of people in Northern Ireland who wished to remain part of the United Kingdom, was bound to start at a disadvan-

was bound to start at a disadvan-tage, Mr James Prior, Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, said

during Commons questions. Any constructive course would be

welcomed, he added, as would a decision by the SDLP to attend the

Assembly in Northern Ireland.
Asked if he had any plans to propose new initiatives for cross

border cooperation to mee ministers of the Republic of Ireland

Ar Prior explained that there was

high degree, of cooperation with the Irish Republic on practical matters

of mutual concern, and officials in Northern Ireland and in the Republic were in regular contact on

a range of such matters as a normal aspect of their functions.

I have not met any ministers from the Republic since my discussion with the Irish Minister

for Foreign Affairs in London on February 1 (he said) and I have at

present no plans to meet the Minister for Foreign Affairs or the

Mr Dennis Capavan (West Stirling-shire, Lab): Would be urge the so-called unionists in the House to support Dr Garreth FizzGerald's initiative for an all-Ireland forum to discuss possible constitutional changes leading to the peaceful unification of Ireland, a unity to which every true unionist should assoire?

Mr Prior: That is a matter for the

today in the Republic, is a step forward and that we should give

Would he regret with me that

some help to it?

ULSTER

to her commitments on July 9.

It was not possible to find a British yard which could do the work in that time. It is very disappointing that such a yard could not be found.

It was wind that the chief chart. It was vital that the ship should

be back on duty by July 9. It is disappointing that yards which did so well during the Falklands war were not able, in peacetime, to Mr Foot Her answer will only

througant the country.

Does she really mean that the
Government will stand back and let that work go ahead in Maltese yards? If she is so unwilling or unable to do anything about it, will she at least cease the hypocrisy of exhorting other people to buy

Mrs Thatcher. The weakness of Mr Foot's case is that British yards were not able to undertake to carry out the repairs in time and were unwilling to take the risk that if they were not successful in carrying it out

nalty would be incurred if A penalty would be incurred if she did not get back to undertake her normal duties in time.

Mr Foot: Has she inquired into the conditions applied and stiff penalty clause imposed? Does she think it

engulfed the Province for the last ten years? Would it not be a welcome step

forward that the forum starting in Dublin and the British Government

Mir Prior: There is a great deal that

could be done to remove the suspicions which there have been in the past, but if he and the House believe that there is any simple solution to the age old problem, it

The Rev Ian Paisley (North Antrim,

Dem U): Is he aware that Mr Trevor

Ellion who was murdered brutally was an officer in my party? This and

many other killings in the south and border areas of Northern Ireland

means that the Government should press for proper cross-border

Biggs-Davison: Based

inviolability of union

Mr Prior: I should like to expres

my sympathy and that of the House with the relatives of Mr Elliott, who

will be suffering as a result of this

dastardly attack

simply is not true.



that have Government support? had said the money would have been withheld if the work was not done in British yards, the work could have been done here. Mrs Thatcher. The ship has to be back to the Caribbean on July 9. If it is not, the cruises can not con

have the ship back in the condition in which she was chartered, by a certain date.

I saw on television last night tha said it would not risk the penalty

I understand why it is disappoint

Ireland to attend its forum. The SDLP should attend the place to way of setting people to talk to each other.

Next week's business

Monday: Debate on the Brands report The Common Crisis. shipbuilding and shiprepair indus

Mr Harry Greenway (Ealing, North, C): Has she heard the varied estimates of the cost of implementation of the Labour Party proposals recently published as between £15,000m and £40,000m, 12p on the

Diseases of Fish Bill, report. Young Persons' Rights Bill, second reading.

of the building societies. Wednesday:

cooperation in bringing those guilty of these attrocities to trial by extradition into Northern Ireland? Parliament today

Commons (9.30): Debate on private member's motion on UK depenthing will be totally disastrous, but they will never get the chance to implement it.

HOUSE OF LORDS

State for Industry, using his powers under the Bill, directed British Shipbuilders to dispose of any

Mr Martin Flamery (Sheffield, I believe that the greatest degree of cross-border cooperation on consider that this forum, initiated security matters is essential and I welcome the recent steps which might make it more possible for extradition to take place as I believe that would do a lot to remove some number of instances of the sale of of State powers virtually public sector assets had been a dismantle British Shipbuilder public scandal, Lord Bruce of any point of its own choosing. Donington, speaking for the Opposition, said on the report stage of the British Shipbuilders Bill which paves the way for the "privatization" of British Shipbuilders.

He went on to give the warning. When the next Labour Government it was the Government's interpretation. Would be regret with me that Unionists are opting out totally and just want to have their own way which will result in the stalemate and the killing going on for ever, unless we talk to one another about ation be based on the inviolability.

this?

Of the union which is the people's Mr Prior. We should all talk to one will and conducted by the two another about this. I believe that any forum or initiative of this nature which in any way puts at risk Fitzgerald's all Ireland forum, what When the next Labour Government when the next Labour Government gets into office we shall exhume some of these transactions that have taken place. What happens now and what has happened in the past may well form a useful guide as to what may happen on repossession. which, he said, would enable a

nature which in any way puts at risk the view of the majority of people in Northern Ireland who wish to remain part of the United Kingdom, is bound in itself to start with a major disadvantage.

Any constructive comes will be welcomed, just as would also be welcomed the SDLP playing a part in the Assembly of Northern Ireland.

Mr David Winnick (Walsall North, Mr David Winnick (Walsall North, Lab): Would he not agree that on Lab): Would be not agree that on the basis of the present policies. A Catholic forum in Dublin and a including the Assembly, there is no way at all in which we can see any

Thatcher declines to end election speculation PM'S QUESTIONS

torces. In erime pulmine and the Government (he went on) have been wallowing in the blood of the people killed or wounded in the Palklands and it should be stopped.

young people under training going into the armed forces, I believe there will be a great demand for the

It will of course, be totally voluntary and many young people will wish to take advantage of the

opportunity and to play a part in defending their country.

Mr Michael Neabert (Havering, Romford, Ct. When the Labour Party was in power, tax thresholds fell by 5 per cent for a married manand 20 per cent for a single person, whereas under this Government tax thresholds here.

assassination of Abraham Lincoln, the Opposition would do better to remember Lincoln's maxim: do not

make the rich poorer, make the poor

Mrs Thatcher: I agree with the quotation from Abraham Lincoln. I also agree that under the last Labour

Government, tax thresholds fell, whereas under this Conservative

Government, tax thresholds have increased by 5 per cent more than inflation, so there has been a real

In addition, in our first four year

of Government, not take-home pay has gone up by 8 per cent, whereas in the first four years of Labour it

basic rate of income tax and five million unemployed? (Labour

laughter).
The Opposition might well get

excited, they have got something to answer for. What does she think the cost of these ridiculous and stupid

The only clue that Mrs Thatcher, the Prime Minister, would give in the Commons about the date of the

next general election was that it would be some time in the next 15 But when the election comes (she right it should be imposed? Does declared) we shall fight it on the Tory record and on Tory policies Tory record and on fory pointess and I think we shall win.

She was replying to Mr Robert Parry (Liverpool, Scotland Ex-change, Lab) who called on the Prime Minister to end speculation by announcing that she would seek a fresh mandate from the electorate

went on), will she fight it not on ingoism and chauvinism but on the it does not seem to me unreasonable to say that we mus Tory Government's mass level of condemn the silly artempt to recruit unemployed youth into the armed forces. The Prime Minister and the

The work was first offered to British yards, but no British yard could meet that date.

end to the bloodshed which has polarization between the con found ways and means of agreement whereby there is far less hard-line sectarian attitude amongst Union-ists in Northern Ireland and in the which they were elected. That is or

Republic by constitutional amend-ment, which would make this more to attend the other there would no need for the forum in the f Mr Prior: Yes, if both would agre

(Amendment) (Scotland) Bill, remaining stages. Friday: Private members' Bills:

Tuesday: Energy Bill, committee. Water Bill, report. Debate on reform

Shipbuilders Bill third readings. Prohibition of Female Circumcisio

Mrs Thatcker: We have done such calculations as we can and we understand the one-off cost of thes plans would be about £20,000m and

Shipbuilding move fails

dent arbitrator appointed by the President of the Institute of Chartered Accountants. He said the Bill gave the Secretary

of State powers virtually to dismantle British Shipbuilders at Lord Trefgame, for the Govern-ment, said this complex amendment would have far-reaching effects upon the Secretary of State's ability

that the powers should be used to build upon the strength of the industry and not for any purpose extraneous to the industry's needs. The amendment was rejected in 108 vote to 63 - Go majority, 45.

Correction

Remarks about The Londoner and other newspapers made by Lady Trampington (C) during the recom-mittal stage in the House of Lords on Wednesday of the Water Bill on Wednesday of the Water Bill were wrongly attributed in the

Forces to train young volunteers

UNEMPLOYMENT

The armed forces are to offer voluntary training places for the young unemployed, Mr Michael Heseltine, Scaretary of State for Defence, announced in a statement in the Commons. He denied in reply to Labour questioners that the scheme would be the forerunner of

cheme would be the roll compulsory conscription.

Mr Heselfine said: I have been considering the role of the armed forces in the Government's programme to provide training and work experience for unemployed school leavers. The high quality of the training provided by our Armed Forces has convinced me that they should play a part.

I therefore propose to make wailable some 5,200 places for the young unemployed volunteering for such opportunities which will be on the same basis as the youth training cheme. The precise number of places available in the first year will lepend on the number of appli-

Services training organization.

The young people will volunteer to join one of the Services on a 12 months engagement, part of which will be spent in formal training and the remainder in work experience. All volunteers will receive the same

able to leave at any time on 14 days'

rvicewomen and in all but a few spects will qualify for the same respects will quamy benefits as single regulars and under the same disciplines. They will receive, as will youngsters joining civilian employers in the scheme, anallowance of £25 per week. I have a deduction from this will be made for food and accommodation of £10 per week.

The Ministry of Defence will

employers. As the YTS volu will pay less than the normal Service food and accommodation charge.

I hope that the scheme may be in operation before September this I am sure the House will applaud the willingness of the armed services, to devote some of their training skills for the benefit of young

Mr Denzil Davies, an Opposition spokesman on defence and disarma-ment (Lianelli, Lab): This statement represents an abysmal and depress-ing epitaph to four years of Tory agovernment. Having put thousands of young people into the dole queues and onto the street corners, all the Government can now think of is to

of the professional soldier or the dignity of a civilian job.

After 12 months under the economic policies of this Governbe applied because they will be training alongside the regular

recruits.

ment they will again be put in the Has the Manpower Services Commission been consulted on this, and if so what was their reaction? Is it not the case that two years ago and the RAF, but I would not see

Where will the money come from for this scheme, from the existing budget of the MSC or will it be given extra resources to do it? This scheme is an insult both to the professional armed forces and to

what the youth of Britain ne not despairing schemes of this kind by lame duck governments, but a change of government that would provide for real training and a genuine hope for the future.

Mr Heseltine: The scheme is as close as is possible to devise to the Youth Training Scheme but it is I cannot accept the general attitude of the Opposition. My own sincerely held views are that the

Labour party opposite is obsessed with running down our armed-services. They cannot understand the respect and admiration in which they are held which means that a number of people will

Rather than the carping criticism from the Opposition, this statement will be widely welcomed both as a means of widening the training opportunities available to young people leaving achool this year and as a constructive step to deal with the problem of the shortage of job opportunities for young people

Mr Heseltine: I am sure this will be seen as a further manifestation of

Mrs Shirley Williams (Crosby, SDP: Will the trainers be subject to military law and will they at the end of their period have any special of their period have any special of their period have any special status. Some of us are concerned about the possibility of a not properly constituted youth force.

Mr Heactine: The volunteers, while they are with the Services, will be subject to military to subject to military law in every respect and that is the only way in which the acheme would be workable, but in no way should this

training but the introduction of a new category of temporary service volunteer. Will it apply equally to ladies and gentlemen with roughly half, 2,500, ladies joining the forces? Who will choose the recruits and on what he had will choose the recruits and on what he had will choose the recruits and on the service.

There will be more opportunities for boys than gurs because we

cannot see opportunities in this

particular context for more than a

limited number of girls in the Navy

to try to give an additional definition to this scheme.

Sir Philip Goodhart (Bromley, Beckenham, C): As the forces have

Lestor: We hoped for a better alternative

opposition to earlier projects of this sort managed to scupper them. Can he say whether those who complete this training satisfactorily will have priority in getting places in the

description of the superb record of training of the armed services. Obviously there will be oppor-tunities for continuation for those who seek it but it cannot be an

automatic right.

It will depend on the number of places available and the number of regulars who stay on or who are recruited in the overall defence

Mr David Young (Bolton, East, Lab): The criticisms from this side are not against the armed services but against the Government which is at present in control of them which has stumbled into one unnecessary war in the last year.
Can be assure us that this is not the first step to a form of conscription moving from the voluntary to the Mr Heaeltine: I can assure him it is

in no way to be seen as a re-introduction of an earlier form of tion in this country 200,000 peop were conscripted every year and it is quite irresponsible to try to suggest that 5,200 volunteers can in any way them for 12 months.

The scheme offers no hope of real

The process of If the services find they are capable recruiting the volunteers will be the of taking more young people will he

Mr Heseltine: They wish to operate on the basis of a profesional armed service and would not regard it as in the country's best interests to blur

that very clear commitment. Miss Joan Lester (Eton and Slough Lab): Some of us who represent people from the working class would have hoped for a hener alternative for our children, and I include my own, than the dole queue or the armed forces.

Is he not saying that there are no long-term employment prospects for thousands of young people in this country and therefore is offering

hem the armed services? Mr Heseltine: The idea that the Opposition represents the working class is out of date.

Mr Frank Alleum (Salford East Mr Frank Aligum (Sanora East, Lab): Is it seriously intended to give training in arms to 16-year-olds? Young people need training for living, not training in killing. Surely this Government, in view of the unprecedented unemployment, has no difficulty in obtaining recruits for the armed forces?

Mr Heseltine: We are going to give Mr Heselther we are going to give training to 16-year-olds in military experience very much in fine with the training for 16-year-olds that the Labour Party happily voted for in

their peiods in government.
Mr Alexander, Lyan (York, Lab);
How can this scheme be other than compulsory conscription? (Con-servative shouts of "No"). The Government is creating a situation in which half the school leavers this year will not be able to get jobs and many of those who have left in the

last two years have still not got jobs.

This is a scheme for taking people off the unemployment rolls and enabling them to become part of the armed forces of this country and in armed forces of this country and in so doing it is a disgrace.

Mr Heseltine: We have offered to 16-year-olds a guarantee of work experience at that age. Therefore there is no way in which they are going to be told there is only an accountry in the armed services. opportunity in the armed services. It will be their choice if, rather than taking a civilian opportunity, they opt for an armed services opportunity. A very large number of them would like to do just that.

Mr Heseltine later said there would be a range of opportunities available, including some in high technology activities. Mr Kevin McNamara, an Oppo-

sition spokesman on defence and disarmament (Kingston upon Hull, Central, Lab): The whole House has been disturbed by this statement. (Conservative cries of "No") It is easy to see the way the Government like to salve their consciences about the millions nemployed. It thinks it can fool the

people by having 5,200 people in the armed forces.

Mr Heseltine: The whole House is not disturbed. Tories and one or

two other MPs have welcomed it. It is true the Labour Party is disturbed but the Labour Party is permanently disturbed (Laughter.)

UK leading way out of recession

The United Kingdom's financial policies now represented the broad consensus of international opinion, Mr Leos Brittan, Chief Secretary to the Treasury, said when he moved second reading of the Finance Bill in the Commons.

He disclosed that the Government bad couled the year with a ment had ended the year with a

large part of its contingency reserve unspent, but there was less shortfall in spending than had been anticipated at Budget time, last month.

He accused the Opposition of peddling a cruel deception in putting forward its policies under

unemployed. Mr Brittan said the continuity and

firmness of Government policies had made a major contribution to reducing inflation and interest rates. That was the key to securing a sound recovery and the Budget had naintained the strategy.

Lower inflation and interest rate

which boosted companies' cash flow and consumer spending had been made possible because the Governmean had controlled the money supply and Government borrowing which was among the lowest in the industrial world. The outturn for 1982-83 might prove to be a little higher than they had thought lest month. The figures for the central Government borrowing requirement published yesterday had been £1,250m more than in the financial statement published on

budget day. It was too early to be sure what that implied for the 1982-

that too would be higher than previously anticipated.

There was, however, no question of any failure of the public expenditure control system. There had been only one very minor breach of cash limits and they had ended the war with a large part of

ended the year with a large part of Budget time. In the latter part of the year they had anticipated that spending would fall substantially short of the prevision made for it. spending to come close to the amount provided for it and the effect of that action looked now as if

it had been greater than they had thought probable at the time of the Bridget.
That might, to some extent, have been caused by expenditure occur-ting in 1982-83 which would otherwise have occurred in 1983-84. To that extent, pressure on spending in 1983-84 would be reduced.

The United Kingdom's financia policies now represented the broad consensus of international opinion. Others in Europe, such as France, which had once pursued different policies, were moving in the British direction.

Having entered recession rather earlier than many countries, Britain was now leading the world out of was now leading the world out of recession. (Labour laughter) United Kingdom output had been rising by 1½ per cent between the second quarter of 1981, the trough of the current economic cycle, and the third quarter of 1982. That compared with falls in others risen by ½ per cent over a similar period, also compared with falls in other countries.

d with falls in others industrial production had by per cent over a similar liso compared with falls in intries.

Industrial production had by per cent over a similar liso compared with falls in intries.

Industrial production had by per cent over a seek to reduce the 3,500,000 unemployed and which would result in a higher level of taxation than when the Government came to office".

He said the Budget proposals the Bill sought to legislate would have only a marginal effect on the course of the British economy yet in other countries.

That had not been the result of traditional reflation by pumping Government money into the system, but largely because of lower inflation and lower inflationary that real domestic

the fourth quarter of 1982 it had been more than 4½ per cent higher than in the second quarter of 1981. Output was expected to increase by 2 per cent in 1983 with slightly stronger growth envisaged in the first half of 1984. The Opposition amendment once

taxation. I readily accept (he said) that the tax burden is higher than we But for all taxpayers at three-quarters of average earnings and above, income tax now accounted

for a smaller share of gross income han it did when the Govern came to power.

Taken together, the measures last sutumn and in the Budget would enefit business by about £1,250m

n a full year. The Government's proposals had been very well received by industry

and many companies were engaged in reviewing their portfolios of prospective developments. Proposals which did not appear in the Bill included new rules for the tax treatment of stock issued by companies at a deep discount and new rules to allow payment of new rules to allow payment of interest gross on Eurobonds. In addition, legislation would be introduced to enable selected freeport sites to be designated. As the Bill 'progressed, new clauses would be brought forward to deal with these.

with these. Mr Peter Shore, Chief Opposition spokesman on Treasury and economic affairs (Tower Hamlets, Stepney and Poplar, Lab), moved an amendment that the House decline to give a second reading to the Bill which "failed to meet the needs of Palisia".

the Government's The deep slump into which its policies had plunged the United Kingdom in the past four years was programmed to continue. On the Government's own assessment changes were designed to maintain a burden on the country substantially higher than when the Government took office.

The proportion of national acome taken in taxation would on this year's estimates amount to no this year's estimates amount to no less than 39 per cent, a slight improvement on 1981 and 1982, but it was astonishing that over four years of Conservative Government the proportion of national income taken in taxation was no less than Labour was last in office.

Together with high interest rates and cuts in public expenditure, increased taxation had been a major instrument in damaging the British economy and thus increasing the vast total of unemployed.

What made it particularly disgraceful was that on no other subject than taxation had the Conservative party in opposition made such categoric promises which they had subsequently betrayed. His view was that Britain was heavily needs of the economy. One of the things genuine

needed in order to get some growth and life and activity in the economy and reduce unemployment was to ease the burden of taxation. Since the Government took office, personal taxes had increased also for those on below average incomes. Those earning five times the average income, around £40,000 a year, were paying a smaller percentate of their income in taxes and those on the top levels of

income, 10 times the average, had seem a dramatic fall in their tax burden.

Resort boycotts Mencap in holiday hotel clash Mencap. Britain's leading organization for the mentally and the Spastic Society. A public and was being held for an increasingly bitter stay out of an increasingly bitter stay out of an increasingly bitter specified was amazed at the cluded the council and the local

controversy in the Devou seaside resort of Teignmouth over a hotel which specializes in holidays for the handicapped. The organization, whose organizations to come here and handicap, not issue a polemic, secretary general is Brian Rix, tell us what good work they are "A lot of problems are caused

misunderstandings, misconceptions and untruths" about the mentally handicapped after scenes in the resort last year when handicapped holidaymakers were banned from some public houses and cafés because of alleged anti-social behaviour. Now Teignmouth Town the resort, such as urinating or Council has rejected an invibeing sick in public places. The

tation to the press conference

next month at the Royal Hotel,

which caters for the mentally

handicapped and mentally ill from long-stay hospitals. The council has accused Mencap of showing "prejudice intention to hold it at the hotel right from the start" by and suggested that a neutral choosing the hotel at the centre place such as the council of the controversy for the chamber would be better.
conference which will be held
jointly with Mind, the National that Mr Rix would attend the

the actor, plans to hold a press doing. Mencap is a worthy by ignorance, not prejudice. We conference in the town next organization but it should be hope that by fighting ignorance month "to alleviate some of the using its best endeavours to end rather than by arguing with the differences between the hotel and the townspeople. mentally and physically handicapped patients at a time spent holidays at the Royal Hotel. Last year there had been problems of unsocial habits in

> council and traders prefer a smaller number, perhaps 30 or 40 at a time under proper SUDETVISION. He said the main objection to the press conference was the

council boycott.

Mr Don Riddell, mayor of
Teignmouth, said yesterday:
"We do not need outside simple facts about mental

"A lot of problems are caused people whose knowledge of the subject is limited we can allay fears and eliminate prejudice. Our view of the council boycott is one of puzzlement and The owner of the Royal Hotel is Mr Paul Bourge, who also runs a holiday hotel for the handicapped at Weston-super-

for the blind, spastic, people with such difficulties as spina bifida and others with menta handicaps or illnesses. We have been subjected to every kind of pressure in Teignmouth but nothing will deter its from giving these people a nice holiday. The whole Teignmouth saga is just amaz-

Mare in Somerset. He said

yesterday he was proud to cater



Colin Welland, Oscar-winning writer of *Charlots of Fire*, trying a different kind of charlot provided by David Evans, aged 12, at the renaming of a street after him in his home town of Newton-le-Willows, Merseyside.

oversold, MPs say By Philip Webster, Political Reporter British servicemen and their taken to achieve a better families posted to Hongkong balance. It stated: "This is a are finding that life there is not problem of man management

Foreign Service postings

all they had hoped and been led and ... a determined effort to to expect it would be, an all-educate servicemen about party committee of MPs said unfamiliar difficulties would The Commons Select Comprovements in morale."

mittee on Defence, which in July last year visited the British garrison in Hongkong to learn about their conditions of service, criticized the literature issued to servicemen being sent there. It said that although it there. It said that although it higher than in the United kingdom, the first for the cost formative "the overall emphasis is possibly too enthusiastic to give a fair impression of the

had not lived up to expec-tations; many found living in a high rise building in tropical temperatures and humidity difficut to adjust to. In evidence to the committee, published yesterday, Major-General Chapple, the former commander of the British forces

in Hongkong, said: "It is a fact that soldiers and wives do read too much into what one might describe as a "glossy brochure".

of air-conditioning and the second for the cost of running a posting.

The committee said that Battalion Scots Guards at many families felt the posting Stanley, some distance from shopping and other facilities, only 37 are car-owners.

probably be rewarded by im-

The committee suggested

modest improvements in two elements of the local oversess

allowance, paid to servicemen

Overseas where expenditure on

The committee, noting that rates of pay for Gurkhas serving in Hongkong are well below those in other British units urged the Ministry of Defent to explore the possibility of improvements in their con-

House of Commons: Second Report from Defence Committee. Session 1982-83, British Forces in The committee welcomed his statement that steps were being £3,75).

Session 1982-83, British restriction from Kong (Simionety £3,75).

Algeria 'in

£300marms

dealwith

Britain'

£300m arms deal with Algeria,

the military journal Inter-

national Defence Review, said in

London It includes six 120ft

fast patrol boats from Brooke

The Algerians are also order-

Marine, of Lowestoft, Suffolk.

ing two tank landing ships from Brooke Marine and Vosper

Thornveroff, Helicopters, 20 to

30 British Aerospace Hawk jet

trainers, and armoured venicles.

The export agreement, or

"memorandum of understand-

ing," has not yet been signed.

South African Indians tell Attenborough to stay away

From Michael Hornsby, Johannesburg

African Indian community performances, it is possible to believe Sir Richard Attenbo- apply to the Government for a rough should not come here special permit, allowing a film next week to attend the opening to be shown to a multiracial of his award-winning film audience. This was not done, Gandhi, which will be shown however, in the case of the only to racially segregated Johannesburg premiere of audiences when it goes out on Gandhi, which Sir Richard is general release. His presence, it due to attend next Thursday. is felt, will be lending respect-

message of non-racialism and Pictures, which has the distri-non-violence, it is better that button rights for *Gandhi* in the film should be shown to South Africa, says it was up to segregated audiences than to the National Cancer Associ-

rone at all.

"If people, and especially the benefit the première is being from the first accomment, change their feelings as a result of seeing it, I would be very happy," Mrs Susheila Gaodhi, a daughter-in-law of the Mahatma, told The Times: "I know you will this hard to believe, but see

Gandhi was - until she became cinemas were segregated, ill - the managing trustee of the When we realized our mis-Phoenix Settlement, an agrarian take and applied for a permit, it self-help community founded was too late... We ourselves by Gandhi during the 21 years are a non-racial organization, he spent in South Africa as a Indian leaders in the Tran-young British-trained lawyer. svaal are to defy the law by She turned down an invitation showing Gandhi to racially-to attend a Durban première of mixed availables at "sneak". the film as a protest against previews" in Lenasia, an Indian segregated cinemas, and thinks township outside Johannesburg, Sir Richard should have made the same gesture.

Most leaders of the South In the case of charity

Recriminations were flying ability to apartheid, yesterday about how this came
Most Indians also feel to pass. Ster-Kinekor, the South
however, that because of its African agents for Columbia

Times yesterday.

A frail 78-year-old, Mrs simply did not realize that

Bishops will not stay silent, Mugabe told

In a studied reply to an attack 10 days ago by Mr Robert ment has both the right and Mugabe, the Prime Minister, in duty to protect its citizens from which he described them as dissident activity, and to use its "sanctimonious prelates", armed forces for this purpose. Zimbabwe's Roman Catholic, But we condemn wanton bishops today upheld what they violence by whomsoever it is call a duty to speak on political committed", they said. "In such matters when individual rights violence it is always the

innocent who incur great innocent who incur great in a statement to mark the suffering. It is on their behalf third anniversary of independence on Monday the bishops that Government shares our concern in these matters." nate situation in some parts of the country, but said there were Mugabe's assurances that allegations of brutality would be ravaged province of Matabele-investigated and any guilty members of the security forces punished.

Output

They also welcomed Mr
Mugabe's assurances that allegations of brutality would be investigated and any guilty members of the security forces punished.

Meanwhile, the Government in these matters."

bishops comes on the heels of BULAWAYO: An official of interviewed on Swiss television Mr Moshe Arens, the new are Easter pastoral statement in Mr Joshua Nkomo's opposition on the eve of a two-day official Defence Minister, demanding which they denounced army brutality, which they said had to five years in jail for illegal Hundreds of peasants had been illed, maimed and raped in wanton atrocities.

days later by bitterly censuring party in the south-western town the bishops, saying they had submitted to external pressure :o condemn the Government.

In their latest statement, the The Zimbabwe High bishops say they do not see Commission in London will good relationship between the mark the country's third anni-Government and churches and versary of independence; but that their sole objective in Mr Nkomo, who is now in promote true and lasting peace. PA reports.

"We believe that Govern-

"Drought relief is being escorts will accompany trains resumed, curiews are being running between Bulawayo and fied, stores and schools are the western border town of are being restored," they said. Plumtree after a guerrilla attack on a train at the weekend in The latest word from the which the driver was killed

Zapu Party has been sentenced according to the Bulawayo Chronicle, AFP reports.

Mr Aleck Tshabangu. Mr Mngabe, responded some 54, was local chairman of the of Gwanda, as well as chairman of the government-sponsored rural council there.

inese exchanges as marring the hold a reception next week to

Nuclear freeze vote delayed by Republicans

From Mohsin Ali Washington

Republicans forced the Democrat controlled House of Representatives to postpone until next week a vote on a development and deployment Musko is expected to disclose of new United States and Soviet that the Soviet Union was uclear weapons. Democrats are confident that

the non-binding resolution will casily adopted probably next Wednesday. The Republicans had prepared about 40 amendments aimed at weakening the resolution, which is strongly opposed by President Reagan.

Opponents of the freeze said the resolution would prevent the admisistration from modermizing US Nuclear forces to deny this story. match the big Soviet military The Soviet Union has repeat-ouild-up. The postponement edly denied it was responsible came on Wednesday, after a and the identification could

Swedes accuse Russia over spy submarine From Christopher Mosey Stuckholm

An official government report on an incident last year in which a foreign submarine entered Swedish waters off the top-secret eastern naval base of responsible for the incursion. using it to test new underwater vehicles, it was reliably reported

yesterday.

The report by the parliamentary commission appointed by Mr Olof Palme, the Prime Minister, will be published on April 26 but details were leaked yesterday by the newspaper Dagens Nyheter.

Members of the commission refused either to confirm or

lead to a diplomatic dispute.

Drifting pack ice takes polar walker south

By Richard Dowden

There was no relief again going backwards at the rate of man-Adams, the 26-year-old Bostol man who is walking aircraft which drops his food six days by bad weather and his emergency rations are designed to last for only seven days.

yet. He will eke out his rations", based contact man said.

"But his problem is working out an equation. He usually consumes and uses up about 7.000 calories a day. His emergency rations give him only 20 or 3,000 calones a day, so he has to do less or even stay still. This means he is actually

esterday for David Hemple- three miles a day, because the diplomatic relations with the pack ice drifts south as it melts. "He is very depressed, but it angreement on the withdrawal alone to the North Pole. The is my guess he will not give up of some 25,000 Cuban troops yet. He is very, very determined supplies has been delayed for and very strong, Mr White

The 60ft ice ridges are behind him and the temperature has man in the Angolan Govern-He will not die of starvation risen from minus 50C to minus 35C. The possibility of a break Air Martin White, his London- in the ice becomes more likely with every day that passes.

Nearer the Pole, there is also a greater danger of being attacked by polar bears. Virtually every North Pole expedition has been harassed by polar bears. Mr Hempleman-Adams is carrying a light rifle.

Protest against dockyard closure

Gibraltar unions 'black' Royal Navy fleet

ment, has run into familiar British-style trade union trouble. Water and fuel supplies have been cut off from the 11 warships and two submarines led by the aircraft carrier Invincible, with Prince Andrew on board, which docked on

Wednesday.
The action by union members among the 1,400 employes in the dockyard was intended as a protest against its closure.

The Navy visit here, which Navy in "special cases" after a has been roundly condemned storm of protest greeted the by Spain's Socialist Govern-start of what was to have been a 48-hour blacking to stop the fleet being readied for the Spring Train manoeuvres due to start on Monday.

Mr Bassano promised the blacking would not prevent the Navy being ready to sail from Gibraltar as scheduled on Monday. He admitted his union members would not suffer. Over the weekend they would be paid double fine.

He said the nuclear-powered However, it naturally occame entangled with the arrived an hour after the
Madrid protest to the clear blacking had begun, was given
embarrassment of Mr Joe shore-supplied electricity and
Bassano, branch Secretary of
the Transport and General
Workers' Union, and who is
Workers' Union, and who is
water-making equipment had
broken down. The blacking had
earlier prevented the destroyer also leader of the Gibraltar broken down. The blacking had Socialist Labour Party. He earlier prevented the destroyer agreed to cooperate with the getting shore water.

A Navy spokesman admitted that the blacking, ordered by the Gibraltar Trades Council, was "causing a lot of inconvenience to sailors a long time at sea and described the situation as

Watched by only two of the three Spanish vessels which witnessed the arrival, the Spring Train force of about 4,000 officers and men did training exercises aboard their ships, according to the spokesman who said any further details were "naturally secret".

The blacking, has been condemned by Sir Joshua Hassan, Gibraltar's Chief Minister, as ill-timed and playing into the hands of the colony's enemies. It has also evidently made the unions unpopular among many ordinary Gibralta-

Mr Wilfrid Garcia, president

Commerce, emphasized how much Gibraltar need Navy visits, both economically and politically.

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"We can only count on Mrs Thatcher for gestures like this", he said. "The Foreign Office does not seem to be getting to message that Gibraltar's economy has got to be supported so that it does not matter what the Spaniards do."

The Spanish protest, he said. was dictated by a belief that they had a commanding position in netotiations with Britain over the Rock's future, because the colony's economic difficulties had been increased by last December's partial opening of the frontier with

MADRID: Dispatching the British fleet to Gibraltar was

of Gibraltar's Chamber of cally not a very intelligent act" Señor Fernando Moran, Spain's Foreign Minister, said in an interview broadcast here yesterday by the state-run national

radio, Harry Debelius writes. Señor Morán was interviewed by a radio reporter on his arrival in Mexico City, his first official stop on a Latin American goodwill trip which will also take in Colombia. He left Madrid on Wednesday.

The opinion of Senor Felipe González, the Spanish Prime Minister, was somewhat more subdued. He said that his Government would maintain "the necessary balance between prudence and firmness", while at the same time "acting bilaterally and in other forums to make it plain that we consider the British action to be out of proportion with Spain's own conduct".

31,500 Sikhs pledge lives

the journal adds.

Delhi (Reuter) - Thousands of Sikh volunteers took vows in the city of Amritsar to sacrifice

the city of Amritsar to sacrifice their lives for their cause in an intensification of the Sikh militant campaign in Punjab.

Harchand Singh Longowal, leader of the Sikh Akali Dal party, presided at the oathtaking ceremony which 31,500 took, he said. A force of 100,000 is planned. is planned.

Struggle ends

Bologna, (Reuter)-Italy's left-wing Prima Linea (Front Line) guerrilla group, once the most powerful group after the Red Brigades, has abandoned its armed struggle against the state, Signor Paolo Zambianchi, one of its leaders, told journalsts while on trial. Last year 87 of its members were jailed for a total of 467 years.

Finnish bribes

Helsinki, (Reuter) - Six executives of the Finnish company Siemens Oy have been charged with bribing officials (between 1975 and 1982) to obtain orders, the public prosecutor said. Officiemployed by Helsinki's und ground railway and the natio: post office were also named.

Russian shot

Moscow, (Reuter) - A Russian named only as V. Vecher, accused of taking part in massacres of villagers during the Second World War, has been shot as a war criminal, a Soviet newspaper reported. He was sentenced to death by a Leningrad military court.

Sicily arrests

Palermo. (AP)-Police took into custody 12 people for questioning in connection with the killing on Tuesday of Antonio Sorci, 78, known as Nino the Rich, and of his son Carlo. The elder Sore: was a

B52 found

Las Vegas (AP) - An American B52 bomber which disappeared on Monday was found after a two-day sourch through snow and rain to have crashed into a southern Ut.: mountainside, killing all save.

Nuclear leak

Brussels. (AFP)-"Slightig radioactive" water is leaking from the Tihange nuclear power plant in the Ardennes, the operating company Intercom aid. The pollution was insignificant and the plant would be shut for about 10 days,

Trouble at mill

Bombay, (Reuter) - Mor-than 1.000 striking textile miworkers, including their leade. Datta Samant, were arrested in Bombay for delying an official ban on demonstrations. The tried to protest outside hom. of MPs who have yet to solv the city's 15-month-old mi

Eitan's insults rebound

Mitterrand explains expulsions

From Diana Geddes

Paris

President Mitterrand has denied that the expulsion from France earlier this month of 47. alleged Russian spies and their families was in any way intended to be an act of hostility toward Russia.

Stait, Raiael Erian, who boasted to a Knesset committee this week that, after Israel had further multiplied its West Bank settlements, "all the Arabs will be able to do is scuttle families was in any way intended to be an act of hostility toward Russia.

It was the first time that Mitterrand commented in pub-from the main opposition lic on the affair. He was being Labour Party, have written to visit to Switzerland.

"It is normal that when a country discovers illegal activiterritory, it reacts," M Mitter-rand said. "That should surprise no one. It is not a special act of nostility towards, the country in question... My relations with the Soviet Union will be excellent the day that both of us understand that mutual respect is the best of international law."

As the two Britons expelled in a "tit for tat" retaliation left Moscow yesterday, diplomats that their sole objective in Mr Nkomo, who is now in said they were puzzled by speaking out had been to London, has not been invited, continuing anti-French statements in the Soviet press, which could indicate that the Soviet Union does not intend to retaliate against France on a large scale, Richard Owen

Assistant Air Attache, and Mr Anthony Robinson of the Financial Times were seen off by a large group of friends and colleagues, including Sir Ian Sutherland, the British Am-

Angolan leader

in secret talks

with Shultz

From Nicholas Ashford

The United States and the

Marxist regime in Angola have

taken a further step towards

normalizing relations after a

secret meeting this week

between Mr George Shultz, the

Secretary of State, and Lieutenant-Colonel Manuel

Alexandre Rodrigues, the Ango-

It was the highest-level meeting between the Two countries since Angola became independent from Portugal in

1975. Colonel Rodrigues may also have a meeting with Vice-President George Bush before

American officials cautioned that the establishment of full

Luanda Government would not

be possible until there was an

Colond Rodrigues, who is

considered to be the second

ment, came to Washington for

talks on a Cuban withdrawal and the associated problem of

Namibian (South West African)

independence. He had been expected to bring with him a new proposal for the parallel

withdrawal of Cuban troops

from Angola and South African forces from Namibia. However,

US officials said he had made

no such proposal.

lan Interior Minister.

he returns to Angola.

from Angola.

A group of 18 left-wing Knessett members, including 10 that he reprimands the general and describing his remarks as ties being carried out on its Army". Another deputy, Mr territory, it reacts," M Mitter-Tewfik Toubi of the Rakah "a stain on the honour of the Communist party, has written to the Attorney General urging him to prosecute General Eitan for "racist remarks". The controversy began on

Tuesday when the Army commander, an officer noted for his outspoken political views, made his farewell visit to the all-party defence and foreign affairs committee, during which he read out a scatological poem dedicated with "respect and contempt" to Mr Yossi Sarid, one of the most dovish members who belongs to the Labour

The supposedly satirical Hebrew verse made reference to people who crawled up the tails of animals and found themron-Leader David Williams, the selves covered in what parliamentarians later translated as manure".

Ouestioned about the recent

spate of stone-throwing attacks against Israelis in the West Bank, General Eitan was reported to have told the meeting

From Christopher Walker, Jerusalen

A bitter political argument has erupted in Israel over remarks made by the outgoing Chief Lieutenant-General of he saw no reason why it could remarks were later compared by not be stopped, "All we need to do is carry on with our leader of the Israeli peace settlement effort and increase movement, to the terminology it," he said. "When 100 of the Nazis, who frequently settlements are established referred to the Jews as "rats" between Nablus (the largest and "lice". Staff, Rafael Eitan, who boasted occupied Arab town) and Jerusalem, there will be no

stones thrown at Jews there."

To the astonishment of some committee members, the general - who is due to retire later this week - then added: "When we have settled the land, all the Arabs will be able to do will be to scuttle about like drugged

reserve General Matti Peled, a The demeaning reference to

the West Bank Arabs, combined with the reading of the obscene poem (which General Eitan had apparently composed in advance), have cast a further shadow over the retirement of Israel's second longest serving Chief of Staff. He had earlier been disgraced by the Kahan

Cairo second thoughts on Reagan proposal

commitment to the Reagan plan in the light of the initial. failure of talks between Jordan and the PLO on implementing the American proposals, a Foreign Ministry official here said on Thursday. He empha-sized that Egypt did not consider the Reagan plan dead, but said: "We have no firm

position on it."
Dr Ussama al-Bazz, President Mubarak's chief foreign policy adviser, said on Wednesday that Egypt would "float fresh ideas to reconcile differences between Jordan and the PLO," but the Foreign Ministry declined to say what these ideas were.

Dr al-Bazz was reacting to a chairman of the PLO executive, who said in Stockholm: "We shall do our best to continue AFP reports.

Egypt is reassessing its these joint talks with the Jordanians. Asked whether Egypt was prepared to proceed with stablishing normal relations with Israel if the Reagan plan died and the Israelis continued building settlements in the West Bank, a Foreign Ministry source replied: "That is a very difficult question". The only condition on the return of Mr Saad Mortada, Egypt's ambassador to Tel Aviv, was a timetable for an Israeli withdrawal from Lebanoo, he said, but that was only one aspect of normal

■ KHALDE: Israeli, Lebanese and United States negotiators resumed talks informally here statement by Mr Yassir Arafat, yesterday in their continuing efforts to secure a withdrawal of foreign troops from Lebanon,

Stolen kisses in a crowd A warm kiss on the cheek for

the Prince of Wales and a more courtly kiss on the hand for the Princess, darling of the Melpourne crowd yesterday.

The city is the last point of call in Australia for the royal couple who fly to New Zealand on Sunday for a two-week tour. As with every leg of their Australian tour, the Prince and Princess were given a resound-ing welcome when they arrived at the airport.

it was announced that hundreds of deprived and orphaned Australian children will have a special present from the couple when they leave for New Zealand.

The Princess has been given hundreds of toys, books and stuffed animals for Prince William during her progress through the towns and cities of Australia. So the royal couple have decided to give something back. The huge pile of presents will be shared with children in homes and orphanages through-out the land, Mr Victor Chapman, their press secretary

Like the thousands of bou quets the Princess has received during her visit, which are sent to hospitals, government authorities have been asked to distribute the presents to those who would appreciate them

Prince Charles assured the Melbourne that Prince William would be "taking back with him countless presents" and would need no more. Today the royal couple will

visit different parts of Victoria



The message of Chicago

American blacks flex their new-found muscle at the polls

Washington

week's election of Mr black Mayor of Chicago was dramatic confirmation that the black electorate in the United States is becoming an increasingly visible and strategically

crucial voting block.

If it had not been for a massive turnout by black voters, who comprise about 40 per cent of the city's registered electorate, Mr Washington would not even have won last February's Democratic primary. Conversely, if Mr Washington had not emerged early in the contest as a viable candidate, then many blacks would not have bothered to vote at all.

The Chicago election has important implications for the Democratic Party as it prepares for next year's presidential clections. Blacks form the single most cohesive element in the Democratic Party coalition, and a massive show of black voting power as witnessed in Chicago this week, could enable a Democratic president to move into the White House again in

However if the party is seen to be leaning too far in an effort to capture black support it will risk alienating the same kind of white voters who moved en masse from the Democratic to Republican camps in the Chicago mayoral contest. The race issue is very much a two-

The result also contains important lessons for the nation's black leaders as they discuss whether to field a black presidential candidate in the 1984 primaries. Some believe that Mr Washington's cam-



Rev Jesse Jackson: Seeks 'coalition of rejection."

paign, which attracted the support (albeit belated) of most national Democratic Party leaders, proves that black political progress is best achieved by working from within the party. Others, however, among them the black political activist, the Rev Jesse Jackson, maintain that a black presidential candisymbolize the growing strength of black voters but also to dramitize the plight of blacks and other minorities

Blacks account for 10.5 per are black. There are no black state governors. Only at city level in places like Los Angeles, Atlanta Detroit, Washington

and Birmingham, have blacks made it to the top, a fact that reflects the changing demographics of American cities. However, over the past two years blacks have increasingly started to flex their political

up in a new study by the influential Jount Centre for Political Studies in Washington, which said: "A Presidential Democratic victory in 1984 is inconcritable without a strong inconceivable without a strong black showing in northern cities and the south".

The study noted that the black vote was heavily concen-trated in six northern states -Illinois, Michigan, New Jersey, New York, Ohio and Penn sylvania - which are of vital importance in presidential elections because of the large numbers of votes they carry.

It is statistics such as these that have persuaded some black leaders that it would be worthwhile fielding a black presidential candidate

Mr Jackson, president of People United to Save Humanity (Push), who has already been testing the waters in Iowa and Rhode Island. wrote in a recent article that a black candidate would force the Democratic Party to have a greater appreciation of the black

Eighteen million black vot ers," he wrote "can be the cent of the electorate, yet only cornerstone of a new coalition 20 out of 435 US congressmen of the rejected (the real silent of the rejected (the real silent majority) that can create new political options in 1984".

Others disagree, arguing that a black candidate could divide black leaders and drain support from the Democratic nominee

The question of a black candidate will not be settled until next month, by which time black leaders will have had time to study how the present Just how important the black

Democratic runners propose dealing with issues of special interest to blacks.

Strikers seize Eiffel Tower

strike, which has brought chaos training.
to hospitals throughout the Their non-violent actions to country for the past three publicize their nationwide strike

against Government reforms included the release of hundreds aimed at the democratization of laboratory rats and mice in and reorganization of what is public buildings; the plastering still a highly conservative and over of parking metres; the achieve any satisfaction in their clitist profession, and which is blocking of railway and Metro talks with the Government. suffering from acute over-lines; the occupation of the manning. The number of Strasbourg cathedral spire; the The medical students are on motorways.

Mitterrand

begins

Swiss tour

From Diana Geddes, Paris Medical students in Paris protesting in particular against marked the beginning of the the introduction of an examin-third month of their strike ation at the end of their sixth vesterday by occupying the Arc year of studies, which they fear, de. Triomphe and the Eiffel will lead to further selection and Tower, while doctors in teach- disqualification, They are also ing hospitals announced they opposed to government plans to would continue with their restrict post-graudate specialist

> have been immaginative and groups are protesting often spectacular. They have

The strike by an overwhelming majority of junior doctors and senior registrars in teaching hospitals is over planned reforms which, the doctors say, will reduce their status, severely limit promotion prospects, and harm the quality of specialist training thereby leading to an overall long-term decline in the standard of medical services.

Until now doctors have continued to provide a minimal level of service; all emergency cases have been exempt from the strike, having failed to

The Federation of French doctors in France has tripled in removal of paving stones, to situation was becoming alarmthe past 20 years, and unem-carry out "open-heart surgery" ing. Some hospitals are already ployment is now a serious on Paris streets, and the operating at less than 50 per problem among newly-qualified scattering of thousands of nails cent of their normal level of



Guard of honour: President Mitterrand at Zurich Kloten airport yesterday.

interest the "symbolic gesture" M Mitterrand has said be will make with regard to "Napo-

This is the claim periodically put forward by Bourg St Pierre, on the road to the Grand St Bernard pass, for payment of a 45,000 Swiss france bill for food, materials and manpower of which Napoleaon's forces

availed themselves when cross ing the Alps into Italy in 1800. While France has main

tained this was settled under the 1815 Treaty of Vienna Bourg St Pierre contends it received only a 15,000 franc token payment, and has suc-cessfully exploited its claim in more recent times to keep its name on the tourism map.

Arms bill twenty can women on April 26. Pisani challenges press times bigger over aid to Ethiopia From George Clark, Strasbourg

Reports in the British press

He challenged journalists and that food aid sent to Ethiopia is others to provide evidence to

weapons for the Ethopian Army bureau had investigated and were firmly denied by Mr Edgard Pisani, EEC Commissioner for aid to the third Mr Pisani said that since

trading partner of Switzerland,

France comes second only to West Germany and the French

The French party includes the Ministers of Foreign Trade

and Tourism, who are having separate meetings with their

tourists in Switzerland.

he had received from Addis not true it had gone to feed the Ababa on Wednesday and Ethiopian Army.

claimed that it contained On the allegation that some

not reaching the starving people back their claims. They had to for whom it was intended and acknowledge that Western that some had been diverted to ambassadors in Addis Ababa the Soviet Union to pay for and the Asian and African

world, in the European Parlia-ment yesterday.

January, 1981, the EEC had sent 68,000 tonnes of cereals. ment yesterday. sent 68,000 tonnes of cereals.

Although he did not specify 7,000 tonnes of skimmed milk it, his main target were reports and 4,000 tonnes of butter oil to from Simon Winchester pub- Ethiopia and its distribution lished in The Sunday Times. He had been supervised closely by produced a bulky dossier which voluntary aid organization. It is producing countries to be used

Ababa on Wednesday and Ethiopian Army.

claimed that it contained On the allegation that some documentary evidence which showed that the food had reached the starving people. Union, Mr Pisani declared both in the area controlled by angrily: "That is not true. Neven the Ethiopian Government and the guerilla - controlled areas.

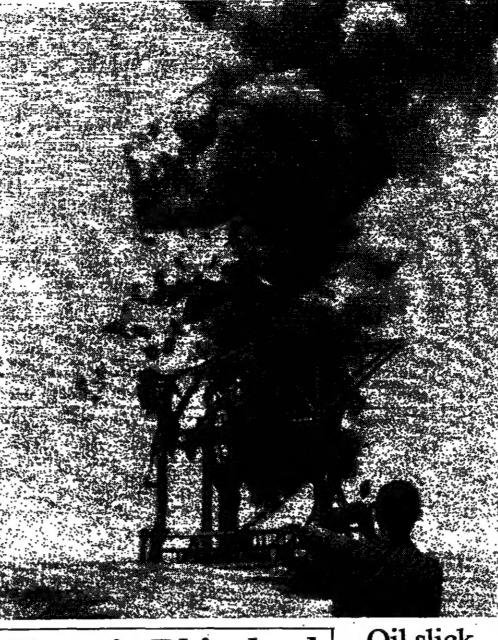
The developing countries themselves, Mr Saouma told FAO's committee on world food security, spend yearly as the guerilla - controlled areas.

produced proof of this.

than that for aid From John Earle

The cost of a nuclear aircraft carrier is more than the gross national product of 53 of the world's poorer countries. World military spending is expanding rapidly and stands at 20 times the total of overseas develop-

ment aid. These figures were quoted by Mr Edourd Saouma, director general of the UN Food and Agriculture Organization, in a speech in Rome be appealed for the grain surpluses of the main to help developing countries to build national reserves against



waterlogged fields even in areas

most flood victims with ordi-

cies would get no compensation

Telephone lines were cut in

arts of Cologne and Benn and

in several villages on the Rhine and Mosel. Agriculture sources

said only about half of the

planned summer grain crop usually planted by the end of

in the Mosel valley, a district

official said, flood damage to

cellars would run to millions of

vineyards of Bernkastel and

Piesport, which produce world-

famous white wines, feared that

heating oil could have seeped

the labels off vintage bottles,

In Cologne, officials said the

water level should fall back

below the city's protective dyke

enabling firemen to begin

Rhine side expressway, the

city's main thoroughfare, had been protected from flooding by

They said a key tunnel on the

pumping away flood waters.

Flood water had also washed

marks.

March, had been sown so far.

but stare authorities have

houshold insurance poli-

unaffected by the flooding.

promised tax relief.

Chaos in Rhineland as floods recede

Bonn (Reuter) - Flood waters Koblenz, where flooding was from the rain-swollen Rhine the worst since 1926, said he began to recede yesterday but feared severe damage from officials said it would take heating oil which had seeped weeks to repair damage in Cologne, Bonn and other Cologne, Rhineland towns.

Trade and agriculture sources said planning of summer grain

Much of the historic old centre of Cologne was still under water, swamping res-taurants, bars and nightclubs and causing a third day of

One bar owner, typifying the humour with which residents have adapted to life under 3ft of water, set up bar stools in the street outside his flooded establishment and served beer to the firemen.

Police in Cologne had to set up roadblocks to keep away thousands of sightseers, pressing for a glimpse of the worst floods in 13 years, who were hampering relief workers.

As the floods receded in Bonn, murky water still washed around the entrances to the hotels, restaurants and wine Doctors said yesterday the Bundestag building and in one low-lying part of the capital postmen delivered the mail by boat yesterday.

Flooding also receded in eastern France after five days of widespread inundation in which into the wine barrels. 12 people were reported to have died. But officials said the situation was still worrying east making it impossible to identify of Paris, where the levels of the wines. Seine, Marne and Yonne rivers were likely to continue rising for mother five days.

West German river police said barge traffic on the Rhine, West Europe's busiest inland waterway, would not resume before Sunday at the earliest. Rhineland city officials said it was too early to assess the giant steel gates which with-cost of damage but an official in stood the water pressure.

Primate defines

attitude to

women priests

From W P Reeves, Wellington

women priests were involved

but he would not preside over

them.
Dr Runcie said it would not

be honest for him to preside

jointly over a communion service in which women priests

He said that he was among

those who said "not yet" rather than "never" to the ordination

gland, the Anglican Church in New Zealand ordains women

The Archbishop is due to

attend a luncheon with Angli-can women clergy in Auckland

China asks **New Zealand** to buy more

Wellington (Reuter) Mr Zhao Dr Robert Runcie, the Ziyang, the Chinese Prime Archbishop of Canterbury, said here yesterday that he would be willing to take part in Anglican Robert Muldoon, his New communion services in which Zealand counterpart.

> Mr Muldoon told a press conference after the two-hour meeting that the Chinese leader was interested in more joint ventures in China, but added: "They should be further advanced before I say anyting about them."

Mr Muldoon said the talks showed there was clearly a good relationship between the two the issue of the trade imbalance between the two countries, asking New Zealand to buy more goods from Peking to reduce it. But it was "not a major issue between us", Muldoon added.

founders

A burning oil well spewing flame and smoke in Iran's offshore Nowruz field, north of Kharg island. The photograph was taken by a said planting of summer grain crops in West Germany was crewman on a passing oil running three to four weeks behind schedule because of prolonged heavy rain which had

Wide differences between warring Iraq and Iran yesterday forced a further postponement of talks in Kuwait on capping the shattered Iranian oil wells which have been spewing crade into the Gulf since early March, conference sources said.

states, including Iran and Iraq, had hoped to meet in full session in the morning. Amid claim and

counterclaim. Iraq said yesterday Iran's latest offensive had been defeated with 9,832 troops killed and

that Iranian forces had captured 12 square miles of Iragi territory and killed 6.400 Iraqi troops in their latest drive.

900 Iraqi troops had been killed or wounded during a counter-attack at-dawn on Wednesday, .

The Woolworth Building in

Manhatian, tallest in the world from 1913 to 1930 and proto-

type for the romantic sykscrap-

ers of New York, has been given

landmark status, despite the

furious objections of its owners.
The majestic Gothic-style

spire is now overshadowed by

other huge constructions, in-cluding the twin towers of the

World Trade Centre, second-

Although not one of the main

tourist traps, it remains an

important symbol to New York

and to twentieth-century America. The opening of the

building 70 years ago was when New York started to get

outrageous and everything in

It is known as the Cathedral

of Commerce and is the world headquarters of Woolworth. Frank Woolworth, the com-pany's founder, ordered it to be

built higher than the Metropoli-

tan Tower and it held its place

as the world's tallest until the

Chrysler Building reached a little higher.

America started to get big.

tallest building in the world.

Ministers from eight Galf

Tehran radio said another

Oil slick

meeting

defence role (Reuter) - Lord Belstead, Minister of State at the Foreign Office, held talks here vesterday

with the Sultan of Brunei on the after independence at the end of the year and will resume Lord Belstead arrived here ealier yesterday and went into a meeting with Sultan Sir Muda Hassanal Bolkiah after a work-Earlier Tehran announced

visit comes after the abrupt departure for home late last week of Mr Arthur Watson, the High Commissioner. Official Brunei sources said the Sultanate had been unhappy about Mr Watson's handling of defence

Woolworth building gets

landmark status

Brunei talks Thai voting ends with

Letter from Moscow

Still a market among

Russians for miracles

Just outside Moscow pro-per, in what used to be the

countryside until Khrushchev started expanding the city limits with high-rise flats,

there is a miraculous spring.

Nowadays it emerges from a

metal pipe in a stone wall with

a chipped swan in ceramic

tiles on it. But the spring - called the "Swan: Princess

spring" - is held to be

properties which go back to

antiquity, or at least the

as the first hint of warmer

weather begins to melt the snow and ice, you can see a procession of Muscovites with

tin cans and containers wend-

ing their way down the woodland path and down

steep stone steps to the spring.
The park was once the
estate of a nineteenth-century

industrialist, who built a grandiose turreted mansion in the grounds. It is now an agricultural institute (and

sadly neglected) and quite obviously a Victorian folly, but there are those who swear

Catherine the Great lived in it.

Equally, people queueing to fill jugs and containers with the healing waters of the spring say Catherine used to

bathe in it (presumably in the

credulous in most Russians, despite the official materialist

philosophy and emphasis on science and reason. Many

the health-giving powers of the "Swan Princess" waters have

The fact is many Russians

are sceptical of modern medi-

cine, and home remedies abound, most of the based on

herbal brews which have their

origins in Russia's peasant

past. Russians place great faith

in healer's such as the lady who treated the late President

Brezhnev. She spawned nu-merous imitators who claimed

tobe able to heal through the

laying on of hands, and whose costomers included five-star

generals and top party offi-

on British

ing lunch with British defence

Lord Belstead's three-day

The City Landmarks Preser-

vation Commission, which was

too late to protect other

beautiful buildings swept away

in Manhattan's frenetic bull-

doze-and-build routine, also

ordered the building's lobby to

building well and spent huge

sums of money on it. But it has

always strongly opposed land-mark status as burdensome.

have been fighting to have the building officially listed, but

agencies seemed satisfied that Woolworth was not likely to do

anything dire. Their view was

confirmed in 1977, when the

company started spending \$22m (£14m) on restoring the

But despite such lavish

preservation, the commission finally bowed to the increasingly vociferous cries for

the structure to be protected

from future generations, who might not be so munificent.

completed last year

For years, conservationists

Woolworth has treated the

be preserved.

not been put to the test.

The is a strong streak of the

On any weekend, whether in the depths of winter or now

eighteenth century.

with healing

Another powerful trait is

the persistent belief in the efficacy of eastern potions.
One of the most popular

remedies at the moment is a

Vietnamese ointment called

"Gold Star". It comes in a

little red tin, has a waxy

texture and is supposed to Cure any ache or pain Rather more common are

mustard packs, which can be

bought in chemists but are often home-made. They are

widely held to be an all-pur-

pose cure for colds, bronchitis

pneumonia, high blood pressure and all the unidentifiable aches and pains brought on by

the stress of modern life. Slap

on a mustard pack is every

Belief in such remedies affects both high and low in society. The Vietnamese ointment was recently offered to.

me not by a peasant but by a young ministerial adviser.

Vodka, of course, is another popular panacea. Taken with salt, vodka can allegedly cure

most stomach complaints, or

so most Russian men arque

Convincingly.

But it is the miracle working

power of water which has a special hold on the Russian

imagination. Not long ago a Soviet newspaper exposed an old man and his son who were

selling "holy water" at an exorbitant profit in a village in

the Ukraine, the paper said their fame had spread far and

wide and hundreds of sick

people gathered every day to buy holy water (which in fact

lated thousands of roubles

worth of cash and gold, and boasted eight cars. The old

man's reputation for miracle-

working had been so great that

he had been able to earn in

one hour as much as a

qualified doctor could make in

three months and his patients

had ranged from "simple

people to intellectuals".

It was a sign of the times, the paper noted sourly, that when the two tricksters were

arrested most of the people they had "treated" were angry with the authorities

Richard Owen

seem to have a powerful desire came from a tap) at five to believe in legends and folk roubles a jug remedies. As far as is known, The swindlers had accumu-

mother's answer to illness.

More Thais have lost their lives in the general election campaign than in 10 days of fighting with the Vietnamese on the Cambo-dian border. Five Thai soldiers candidates and canvassers have been murdered during three weeks of campaigning for the election next Monday.

There were six killings on Wednesday alone. A candidate and one of his canvassers were killed when a bomb exploded in their car at Chiang Rai in the north, and four other canyassers were killed in a hail of automatic rifle fire while travelling on a road close to Bangkok.

These incidents are seen by experienced commentators as a sign of the fervour and interest aroused by the election, the thirteenth since the absolute monarchy came to an end in 1932.

Former communist insurgents are among the candidates. They are not standing as Communists Party candidates because communism is still outlawed but they are advocating Marxist policies.

One independent candidate at Sakon Nakorn in the northeast is the son of a local folk hero. Krong Chanadawonges, who was executed without trial in 1961 because the Government suspected he was a communist. The son, Mr Withit is conducting some of his political meetings in the field where his father was shot.

Another coalition government composed of several political parties is expected to

The niw Government is expected to be led by a compromise Prime Minister, possibly General Prem Tinsulanonda, the present holder of that office. General Prem is not a candidate but that is no disqualification as the Prime Minister needs only the support of a majority in Parliament

Argentine parties campaign furiously for members

membership campaign, setting baby. Anything is better than up stalls in the main cities and this." Another voice chipped in: calling on passers-by to sign up.

Buenos Aires, has become and struggle of the masses."
something of a democratic The parties campaign microcosm. The Peronists,

A small man with a mous-tache said: "Elections will only make things worse", to a crowd shaking their heads in disagreement. Struggling to make himself heard, he added: leader, a man with a clean achieve a national membership record."

In the past few months, A second pavement politician Argentina's political parties interrupted: "Well if we don't have been conducting a furious have one, let's order a test-tube "There are no miracles. The Florida Street, in central only solution is the organization

The parties' campaign is taking place under a law passed Radicals, Intransigents, Social- by the military Government last ists, and other parties have set September. To obtain electoral up their stands only yards apart, recognition the parties must prove they have a membership of more than four per thousand names on the electoral roll in each district.

For national recognition they need to meet the minimum. "Because we don't have a level in five districts, and

electoral districts in the country. electoral rolls. The big parties closed their A further factor is that the Party, the Communist Party and a handful of others are confident that they will secure under the Government's legis—out their internal struggles. The

lation have another two months to gather members. The elec- parties are measuring their by the eletoral authorities. tions are due to be held on It is a complex process. A new member signs four membership cards. He keeps one, the

party keeps one, and the others are passed on to the electoral but some general indications of court for verification. There have already been some problems. Some over-enthusiastic citizens seem to be joining various parties. There are also to the electorate authorites. The ists might end up short of an cases of errors in the way the Radicals say they are on forms are filled in. The membership cards must be labori-

the electorate. There are 24 ously cross-checked against the Movement for Intergration and

strength in the recruitment drive. These parties must hold conventions to elect authorities and nominate candidates before the September 10 deadline.

how the parties are farin. The Peronists claim that they are leading the membership battle, with 1,500,000 cards handed in

Development, the Intransigent different factions in these claims have yet to be confirmed

While some opinion polls give the Radicals the edge in the overall campaign, seasoned political observers expect the Peronists - who have won every There are no hard figures yet., election they have been allowed to take part in since 1945 - to

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THE ARTS

Having a disconcertingly wonderful time

Sophie's Choice (15) Empire 1

The Young Ladies of Wilko (PG) Camden Plaza

The Clinic (18) Classic Haymarket

Tales of Ordinary Madness (18) Screen on the Hill: Studio Oxford Circus

G'Olé! (PG) Classic Oxford Street

Why was Sophie's Choice Pakula's choice? To elaborate: why should someone as stylish and intellig Alan J. Pakula direct - and, for the first time, write - a relatively impersonal adaptation of a widelyread novel? Despite the film's virtue its confident powers of evocation and skilled performances, this magging question refuses to fade away.

William Styron's bulky novel, published in 1979, tells the semi-auto-biographical story of a young Virginian in postwar Brooklyn, flexing his writing muscles in the volatile company of two fellow lodgers.

Nathan, a moody charismatic Jew, and Sophie, a Polish Catholic survivor of the Holocaust. Pakula diligently reduces a discursive volume to cinematically manageable pro-portions, time and again he demon-strates his sensitivity to the dramatic possibilities of light, colour and the architectural quirks of everything from staircases to Brooklyn Bridge.
The balance of light and shade within
Sophie's apartment is skilfully moderated to suit the emotional mood;
when flashbacks transport us to Auschwitz the images are drained of colour, rendering the commandant's garden flowers hideously cerie. The imspired photographer is Nestor

Sequence by sequence, moment by moment, Sophie's Choice is easy to appreciate. Pakula's scenes are sharhoned and scrupulously atmospheric, and the three main performers generally play with well-modulated terr our. Peter MacNicol grins with boyish eagerness as Styron's after ego Stingo: Kevin Kline (Nathan) unnervingly swings from elated fooling to mad rage. The one partial exception is Meryl Streep, who fractures her

Almendros



Celebration of friendship: Peter MacNicol (left), Meryl Streep and Kevin Kline in Sophie's Choice

English and signals her emotions with such meticulous precision that one sometimes cannot see the character for the acting this may be a performance that wins an Oscar, but it is also ripe for parody.

Yet the film's sum stotal remains curiously insubstantial and for explanation we are drawn back to the persistent question of Styron's novel and Pakula's muted response. Perhaps it is our English reserve that balks at the American obsession with celebrating friendship, but the continued speciacle of excited individuals having a wonderful time undoubtedly strikes a dead nerve. Styron deliberately sabotages the wonderful times with despair and guilty secrets: that is one of the novel's points. But the film's sabotage operation is firful the revelations about Sophie's and Nathan's characters come for too late. Nathan's characters come far too late properly to jolt our perceptions, while the Auschwitz sequences make their effect more through macabre back-ground detail than foreground action. At the end of the day - and two and a-half hours - Sophie's Choice leaves us with brilliant scenes, but an

incoherent framework. The Young Ladies of Wilko, by comparison, is beautifully unified - a sustained reverie about the impossibility of recapturing love's young bloom. Both style and subject may seem surprising for the director is Andrzej Wajda, recently known for abrasive dramas about Poland's turnoit. The present film, however,

Theatre

Rich imagery of Ruskin's self-searching

was made in 1979, after Man of Marble and Rough Treatment but before the Gdansk strike and Man of Iron. In place of the familiar restless of uncomfortable urban Wajda's camera dwells longingly, quietly, on the landscapes and interiors of a country estate in the inter-war years. Yet Wajda has inhabited this cinematic territory before, notably in *The Birch Forest* (1970)—a film with the same literary. (1970) - a film with the same literary source (the Polish writer Jaroslaw Iwazkiewicz), the same rustic landscape, thoughtful demeanour and male star (Daniel Olbrychski), and related themes of love and death.

Olbrychski's current character may not face death, but his return journey to Wilko's young ladies certainly involves rueful thoughts about lost youth. For the girls with whom he once spent a romantic holiday have drifted into spinsterhood, fretful promiscuity, boredom; only the youngest girl (played by the French actress Christine Pascal, discreetly dubbed) inspires any semblence of passion. We watch, fascinated, as past memories become enmeshed with present circumstances over outdoor walks, mealtime arguments and dance round the gramophone. Klosinski's photography steeps the images in beauty without ever drowning them in pretimess, and the ladies move through the drama with especially delicate resonance (particularly Maja Komorowska as

Martian visitor demanded urgent proof of Wadja's artistic importance, The Young Ladies of Wilko might not be the film to exhibit first, but it is unquestionably the work of a master.

The Clinic is an Australian film about a clinic for venereal diseases; enough said, you might think. Not so, thought the early close-up of a private organ crowned with a sticking plaster hardly inspires confidence. Yet, as the film wends its plotless way through the clinic's daily round, the makers' sympathetic, honest attitude becomes increasingly apparent. We have fun with, rather than at the expense of, the varied patients - the nervous adolescents and blase regulars, the fastidious widow and the cheerful busker ("Hey folks, how you doing?"

there is no reply). Useful information about symptoms and rem-edies is also imparted; the scriptwriter Greg Millin worked in a VD clinic for three years. The film's mosaic pattern and low-key style help further in avoiding the excesses of sensational-ism. Chris Haywood (the young assistant in Newsfront) heads a lively, responsive cast, the crisp, compact direction is by David Stevens, best known for his television work on A. Town Like Alice and the wartime soap opera The Sullivans.

Marco Ferreri's Tales of Ordinary Madness - an Italian-French co-production filmed in English on Californian locations in 1981 - views the sexual experience from a far more the nervous, wanton Jola). If a unpleasant perspective woe betide us

should Ferreri ever tackle extraordi nary madness. The tales are spun by a sodden American poet staggering through life with a bottle in his hand self-pity on his lips and lust in his head. It is possible, with effort, to imagine a good film from this material (derived from a book by Charles Bukowski). But Ferreri seems to have abandoned the purposeful anarchy of Dillinger is Dead, the film that made his reputation 15 years ago; now he merely offers the inert presentation of unedifying shocks. Ben Gazzara stumbles through with a glimmer of his usual eccentric fire only the occasional landscape shot is

worth salvaging.
G'Oié! is the official film of the
1982 World Cup football competition in Spain, directed by Tom Clegg (a sprightly British television talent), with Peter Boyle as the all-important supervising editor. Try to imagine a football equivalent of Syberberg's Parsifal, with the World Cup trophy as the Holy Grail and a plethora of injuries replacing Amfortas's single bleeding wound. Both films are trying experiences for the uninitiated, and both match sound with image eccentrically. The *Parsifal* cast mouth to a pre-recorded music track; the World Cup players mime their game to the accompaniment of crowd noise, a flatulent score by Rick Wakeman and Sean Connery's bored narration. The total effect to an unsporting

Geoff Brown

Television Speed on the draw

"If you keep on playing snooker you are going to end no place", Sandy Higgins was told by his teacher, Stuart Love, who had noticed his pupil's absences and who subscribed to the belief, not entirely discredited, that proficiency in snooker is a sign of a misspent youth. Mr Love recalled his warning last night in BBC2's The Hurricane, a profile of Alex Higgins, the Embassy World Snooker Champion, who will be potting away for that title again tomorrow with the urgency of a man who must win one more game before the end

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of the four-minute warning. Snooker has risen in general esteem since Mr Higgins started flying round the tables, misbehaving himself off them, and endearing himself to crowds with his sporadic brilliance and unpredictability. None of the witnesses in last night's programme, written with an underlying tone of admir-ation by Hugh McIIvanney and produced by Mike Adley, denied Mr Higgins much of the

Alex Higgins - his parents called him Sandy - was born in Belfast and was drawn to the local snooker hall. The Jam Pot, mainly, he said, because he was not supposed to go in there. By the age of 12 he was taking on his elders for money. His speed, he recalled, had been a matter of survival. If you played for money, lost and could not pay, you had to be quick to dodge a blow on the head with a cue

end. He tried his luck as a stable lad in Berkshire, but, said the trainer's wife, he never did what he should have been doing. A colleague thought his affection

at the YMCA, playing for halfcrowns and breaking opponents as well as the rules against betting. His life then, said an old friend, consisted of ham-

He represented Northern Ireland in the British Amateur Championship and crossed the sea to Blackburn to seek his fortune. He carried his cue like containing a clothes brush and a tin of boot-blacking. He was taken up by John McLaughlin, the first of what appeared to be a frame of managers whose disappearance from his life was sadly unexplained.

He won his championship in 1972, conceded to Ray Reardon at a point where the rules strictly: prohibited him from doing so in the 1976 final, and came back triumphantly and tearfully last

Marriage and family, he said, not entirely convicingly, had calmed him down. His wife said he rang her twice a day considerate. The former world champion John Pulman said he was Jekyll and Hyde enty-five per cent Hyde"

At the end he remained an enigma, looking something between a Thirties Broadway star and a Chicago hit-man and telling us nothing about his motivation, but he was, as always, fast-moving entertai-

Dennis Hackett

Concerts Youthful charms

Sinfonietta/Pay

Oueen Elizabeth Hall

Music is charming again. On Wednesday the London Sinfo-nietta entertained with pieces by six British composers under 35, all making music that is smart, intricate and pleasurable; music to divert, or play at digging a little deeper, or maybe both. The temptation might have been to regard such a programme as a competition, but happily each piece was good enough and different enough to

stand on its own. Simon Holt's Kites came with note explaining various references to Japanese kite-flying but this was not specially needed. In fact the piece was are. I did not hear much of sudden plummets, of desperate tugs on the line to keep the thing in the air, of chases across muddy fields in pursuit of escapers. All, rather, was bemused with beauty, snappily bright and sometimes suggest-ing Stravinsky in Far Eastern

Jonathan Lloyd's Three Dances confirmed him as one of the funniest composers around. He had the nice idea of writing these choreographies for his children: first an ABC jig for string quintet, hillbilly inclined and maddeningly obtuse, per-fect baby music for adults, then a wind quintet boogie-woogie that kept snatching up its sibling's toys. The last dance was a teasing portrait of a child

yet to be born, again jazzy and again making progress like a monkey on a greased pole. Robert Saxton's Procession:

nd Dances ended the first half with music whose evident harmonic pull led the ear delightedly through the sober and spirited alternatives suggested by the title. And again Stravinsky was a potent presence, the work surviving a close encounter with the "Dance of the Earth" from The Rite of

The youngest of these six composers. Mark-Anthony Turnage provided the longest and weightiest of the pieces. Its title, Before Dark, was enigmatic it could have been the middle of a chamber symphony with its short scherzo followe by a complex set of variations unwilling to extricate them selves entirely from the earlier character. Once more there was strange taste in a child of 1960.

Simon Bainbridge was rep-resented by a Concertante in moto perpetuo that was kept in feverish circling activity with the help of Gareth Hulse as oboe soloist. Finally, Antony Pay conducted his players in a spellbinding account of Oliver Knussen's Ophelia Dances, a work that knows exactly how to be pretty without being feeble. It can be had on record along with other music by Knussen and Bainbridge, new, strong music that comes like so much in this concert from vivid imaginations

Paul Griffiths

Wickedly funny travesty of Goldoni

That is the focus of Mr Ruskingsa coxcomb, Whistler

La locandiera

Teatro del Ridotto, Venice.

duction of the piece has just na, director, designer and drag reached Goldon's native artist, radically reinterpreted all venice. The house on the first that. The two old men – and night was small, but hardly Goldon was good at old men – were largely lost and the action to the control of th case of monkeying about with promising to be a dutiful wife, gances would have held the the Bard. As written La the curtain call here showed the attention, however, without the

Plague Wind

Ruskin, already subject to McDonald's play, and, despite pours of nervous illness, could the fascination of other moral not appear in count but Tashas, and artistic issues, some unsty-McDonald's play purs him firmly at the centre of the case, and the case at the centre of the case, and the case at the centre of the case, and the case at the centre of the case, and the case at the centre of the case, and the case at the centre of the case, and the case at the case.

In the work he criticizes, and the set I have seen him give; the work he criticizes, and for all of Ruskin's anguish, the could also ask whether he might be consing his garden roses and strawbearies there is a terror for the sullying of the Nature he woman's love", and winder how far his vision of a cheking epideanc wind of artistic debasement sprang from his own fall mental health.

Chatterlev trial showed.

Ruskin, already subject to McDonald's play, and, despite the faction and artistic issues, some unstylics and the sale of thi

A touring Neapolitan pro- Fabrizio be patient. Erio Masi-

Accurately described by

There is no pithy rendering in Mirandolina is pursued by three genderless English of the title of inhabitants of her inn: two theatrical, inventive and funny. It was in addition highly given the curiosities of the inhabitants of her inn: two theatrical, inventive and funny. At curtain-rise a tall box he acted the role convincingly. At curtain-rise a tall box he acted the role convincingly. At curtain-rise a tall box he acted the role convincingly. Servant Fabrizio, to whom she cecent footlights, splitting to release a sexually ambiguous this to do with Goldoni? Was it his deathbed. Also present is a virtuosically adaptable set. The young baron who is bored by was 60 when he wrote it and had left far behind the actordomized commedia dell are and precisely engineered farces. dominated commedia dell are male arrogance onemos minanand precisely engineered faces dolina and she takes her
such as The Servant of Two
making the baron besotted and
Masters.

Ozanie switches on lose and comedy should be travestied by
gender. Grotesque figures an actor with one bizarre talent,
pranced to Vivaldi and Orff, a talent conceivably inimical to
making the baron besotted and to staple classics. If anything it reduced to triangular confronwas a mark of protest, as it were of Stratford boycotting some and baron. And, whereas would be laughed out of court.)

Michael Bogdanov should take Bartolomeo, smiled and said nothing. Actors and audience greatly enjoyed themselves. But would be laughed out of court.)

One day I would like to see the more than usually outrageous.

Dance

locandiera has a mixed cast of three of them sharing one bed - central performance of Erio nine, but it was performed in less a case of "La locandiera" Masina. His voice ranged from this staging by three men.

The exigencies of this casting imposed some changes of "provocatoria" and "tutio not a small man) were delicate emphasis. Goldon's hereine diagram.

proves a splendid actor's part on the stage, as it did in life. Ian

Thompson is podgier than the original but deliciously formid-

able once monocle is smck in

eye and one of those relentless.

relished sentences starts to roll

Joseph Charles's production, though it could use textual cuts, is lovely to look at and successfully encompasses the shifts of idiom as Ruskin sees the trial (armsische street).

the trial (amusingly staged in formal kimonos) in his mind's

eye and, by a final irony, dreams of the fireflies in the

Siena hills in an image very

close to the gold shower in Whistler's painting which drew

Anthony Masters

ruin upon him.

paired off peculiarry to the coherent drama? Masina himswelling romanticism of self hoped, at least for the Puccini, married to Mendelssohn and, thereafter, jigged erotically on a see-saw to "Love is a Many-Splendoured Thing". (Michael Bogdanov should take Bartolomeo, smiled and said

Tom Aitken



Persuasive realism in The Nine Night: T-Bone Wilson and Oona Kirsch as the son's English girlfriend

The Nine Night

There is a paradise over the seas of sun, ram and cricket. In England there is only an occasional bottle of rum as a reminder for Hamon Williams a Jamaican immigrant and still

a stranger to his adopted country 20 years on. But his children talk with cockney accents and bring back white friends. His eldest son even wants to play football for England. "Football is not a sport, it is a game", retorts his Edgar White's play, produced

by the Black Theatre Co-Operative, outlines with sympathy the desolation that faces the generation who remember their youth in Jamaica. Mixed with Hamon's alienation to the mother country" is his unbappiness at growing old. When he and his friend, Ferret, reminisce over a game of dominoes and a bottle of rum, or re-enact a sensational innings by Gary Sobers, they are going back in

home as a little piece of Jamaica is croded by his own family. John Percival "England never came into our

England, inside is family", he protests. Finally he sees the only way of keeping the English influence out is to return to Jamaica. His unemployed younger son agrees to go, but the elder son and daughter and wife are rooted here, and Ferret breaks down at the thought of realizing the dream. "Everybody I know is either dead or in England - I can't go home."

The cast, directed by Rufus Collins, play with persuasive realism. T-Bone Wilson's Hamon sparks in an instant from depressed lethargy to almost hysterical enthusiasm. Dona Croll as his wife, Irene, has the put-upon but fighting-back air of a woman trying to rid herself of the doormat image, and Jason Rose's Ferret reveals loneliness disguised by formed hershories. forced bonhomie. The writing is pungent and witty, though one or two contrived scenes do not quite work. The "confrontation" between Hamon and his son's English girlfriend fizzles out, but Irene's insidious adoption of genteel mannerisms

when welcoming a white face is a far more pointed commen-

Sweetly timed

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Barbican

whose concerto debut at the age stole almost imperceptibly into of eight provoked Leopold the closing Rondo-minuet, Stowkowski to acclaim him as tenderly and minutely varied in of eight provoked Leopold Stowkowski to acclaim him as "the most astounding genius I have ever heard" should have been hardly known in London when he gave his Queen Elizabeth Hall recital last October.

Oscar Shumsky has chosen to

spend his sixty-odd years

teaching, conducting, and play-ing in the United States and is only just returning to the solo concert platform. In the month in which he is recording the Mozart concertos, he made his London concerto debut on Wednesday at the Barbican with the English Chamber Orchestra and Norman Del Mar in a programme which began with Rossini's Silken Ladder Overture and ended with Beethoven's Eighth Symphony.

Both were happy companion pieces, for Shumsky's art is one that delights in both theatri-cality and sophistication and in the sort of childlike wonder and capriciousness that shoots through the veins of the Beethoven. All those elements were present in his Mozart Violin Concerto No 5 in A, projected in a gently individual performing style which nevertheless seemed to be born naturally out of its purely musical purpose.
The ECO had to be, and were

not quite always, on their tiptoes in the opening movement, where speed was generated by bright rhythmic insistence, only to be modified and expanded into lightly suspended passages of release, each phrase pointed commen-pointed commen-Clare Colvin

the Adagio, lightly floated above the orchestra like a semiimprovised vocalese, quiveredat the same time with a tautly It seems strange that the man contained inner germ of life. It

Saint-Saens's Introduction and Rondo Capriccioso, written for the young Sarasate, showed the same shy animal spirits liberated into a delightfully nonchalant virtuosity. At once uncannily youthful and sweet with the distance of time, it demanded an encore: a Bach Partita, with a new structural rigour, a shining strength of tone and keenness of pointing.

Hilary Finch

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Joyce Trisler Sadier's Wells

Besides their group of historical

Unanswered Question: a slight tackle Handennith's Four Tempiece though pleasant enough.

Her Dance for Six has its cast claime and associated with one ligging about with agreed little of his most intenovable ballets.

Steps to Vivald's La comment as companion, but in doing so styles by setting breathy wood-

interesting. The soft movement score (not that these dancers equally stereotyped and sopor-style derived from Trisler's look particularly sensitive to ific. The women, in costumes origins in Lester Horton's Los music anyway).

by Penny Howell that make Besides their group of distances origins in Lester Horton's Los revivals from the Denishawa Angeles company is not period, the Joyce Trailer heightened either by the Danscompany (what a silly off-putting title) has brought work developed from Horton's by three modern choreographies to London Trailer heavily, the technique, or by the phers to London Trailer heavily.

bold poses, except that none of ends up with a shapeless wind throbbing against the faint

ed her as director, offers two short works to some ill-played stravinsky. Four Eiuder is the end there is a momentary than Ragitime, especially in the quick acrobatics of the second dance, where Regina Larkin and David Christel chase each other. Milton Myers, who succeedfounder and director until her or his most famous pupil, Alvin death, is represented by two Alley.

group ballets and a solo, Alley.

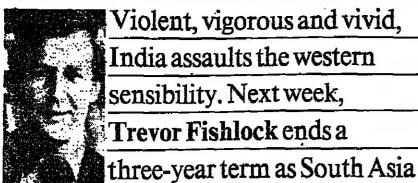
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the dancers has any amplitude collation of sequences that but insistent twang of bells, of gesture to make them look makes little of the marvellous Gray Veredon's choreography is them look gift-wrapped, bow

Danscompany has other major engagements in Berlin, Paris, Washington and elsewhere. It seems a very minor company to be playing in such a big league,

time as well as place.
His fierce protection of his

SPECTRUM



Violent, vigorous and vivid, India assaults the western sensibility. Next week, Trevor Fishlock ends a

Correspondent of The Times: a period he writes in his farewell to the region, during which 'there has been no dull day'

Mayhem in amirror

the morning newspapers across the lawn. They touch down on the verandah and skid into the front door broadcasting is controlled by rulers with a bang, startling the mynahs who with a bang, startling the mynahs who shrick Reveille in the lime tree and wake the dozing nightwatchman. Unfolded over a cup of tea, the papers present their chronicling of astonishments, contention, confusion, anarchy and change as 700 million Indians grapple with modern times, and each other, in their ancient land.

broadcasting is controlled by fullers who fear that free presentation of news would blow air on communal flames as well as shine too bright a light on government. There are few television sets and Indian democracy functions without benefit of box.

Even without television, the hatreds of India's diverse communities seem sometimes to be spontaneously comother, in their ancient land.

Three die in police firing, the headlines say. Students riot over film tickets. Police kill Dacoits. Dacoits loot train. Monkeys attack police. Politician beheaded. Harijans beheaded. Harijans raped. Witches beaten to death. Urine from tap. Man leaps from funeral pyre. Pharmacists on indefinite strike. Four-year-old boy sacrificed. In-laws burn bride. Woman changes sex to make another pregnant. Monkey's death plunges town into grief. Gold found in semen. PM urges national

Much mayhem is reported downpage, for violence is a commonplace, and the maintenance of order, even by ruthless means, is paramount. Police frequently open fire when crowds become frenzied and minor police killings rate only an inch of type. Buses are always crammed, and driven by ruffians, and their numerous crashes, cuiling people by the score, rate a

Thanks to the seeping enlightenment provided by education and positive discrimination, some of the 100 million Harijans perceive their oppression more clearly. Of course, they pay for being uppity. The landlords, police and politicians who manage much of rural India with the aid of lathi, boot and gun have conservative ideas about social change.

Newspaper majuscules are reserved mostly for politics, the abiding interest of the upper, ruling stratum, and reported proxiixy and often impenetrably, so that reading politics is like divining meanings from tea leaves.

Politics in India is about personalities, not beliefs, not right or left. No disgrace is attached to politicians who switch allegiance for cash or access to patronage. In such a power game the policyless Maneka Gandhi can pursue her pique and start a party in the name

The newsboy's aim is perfect. He stops of her dead husband to challenge her his bicycle at the front gate and hurls mother-in-law. Without the name

sometimes to be spontaneously com-bustible. There is a deep and haunting fear of India splitting, of its centrifugal forces growing more powerful, which is why Mrs Gandhi talks often of unity and invokes the dread image of "the foreign hand", like a scolding mother telling her children the bogeyman will get them if they don't behave.



Fragmentation, however, seems unlikely. There is a broad devotion to the idea of union and its democratic form, and

Local troubles are self-sealing rather than infectious. The crises of Assam

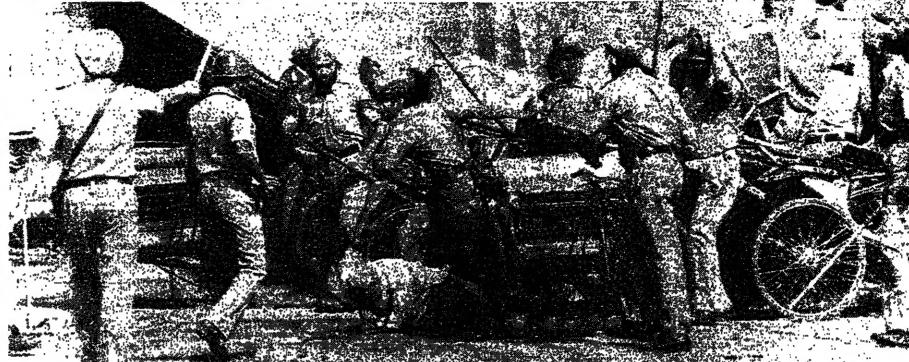
and Punjab, for example, are contained, and remote from the majority of people in a vast land. The dismal experience of the emergency left Indians more politically aware and convinced of democracy's value. India emphasis on family, clan and hieris also fortunate in having an army free archy, is part of India's backbone. of political ambition. The papers reveal a country of

continuous clamour, of striking imbalances and contradictions. Westerners living. It is his shield in an unequal sometimes romanticize Indian rhythms and values, but Indians themselves are more practical and honest and recognize that theirs can be a cruel and appallingly unjust society. They are their own fiercest critics, railing against their apartheids, repression, feudalism, slavery, jails filled with rotting forgotten prisoners and the terrible pressures of a rapidly growing population on hard-pressed land and resources. It is almost unnecessary to mention something as ingrained and rife as corruption.

There is not much social conscience, and one is struck by a certain heartlessness and selfishness. Life here can be a scramble and a jungle. People







Indian images: top left, Mrs Gandhi; top right, Kurukshetra, where 11/2m gathered for a total solar eclipse; above, a battle between Sikhs and police in the Punjab

too.

even if Mrs Gandhi's centre cannot turned on their shops first. I have seen hold the union is unlikely to fall apart. people attacked by police lathis while onlookers hooted with mirth.

For all the corrosives and contradic-tions, there are great strengths and stabilizers in Indian society. There are aspects of caste which are abhorient: it institutionalizes cruelty and discrimination. But caste, like religion and the

In his caste a man may find identity, companionship, wife, job, political allegiance, prejudices and code for world

So, too, is his family, for Indians live in close family groups ruled by respected patriarchs. It is the family that provides the welfare, that even does much of the nursing in hospital. Nepotism is duty rather than sin.

Most marriages are arranged by

parents and most children like it that way. Marriage and family are too important to be threatened by the uncertainties of love, choice and youth. The marriage advertisements in the weekend newspapers provide a re-

near my home, the shopkeepers turban, but keeps beard neatly trim-competed with bribes to have hoses med." "Groom for 158 centimetre aristocratic wheatish-complexion girl with touch of whiteness near nails of hands and feet, but on no other place of body. Father top bank execu-

> The extended family has its tensions, but compensations, Divorce is rare, partly

of bliss are lower than in the west, emphatically materialistic. because society is male-dominated and because, with family honour, harmony and property at stake, there is greater support at times of marital friction. But things do go wrong and disgruntled parents sometimes harass their daughters-in-law, and may even set fire to

Widows can have a hard time because they are thought to bring bad luck, Superstition is important and cannot be overlooked. Astrology is taken seriously and not much of importance happens in India without

the starmongers getting in on the act.
The intertwining of caste, religion markable insight, dealing as they do and astrology underpin the acceptance with practical matters like income, of, and submission to, one's earthly lot, height and peculiarities of prospective and hold the carrot of hope for

don't wait, they shove. When the handsome boy. Has weak eyes but forces of caste and religion are part of population growth, which has not been firemen arrived at some burning shops owns posh house," "Bride for Sikh, no the mechanism keeping the lower seriously addressed and casts a deep

Indians love to talk about India and to be confronted, like the poverty, indifference and squalor and the grotesque displays of wealth at weddings. The well-off have a horror of poverty; its proximity encourages them seems billities, and provides profound to strengthen their walls of financial pleasures for them, too. It makes its security. There is a western idea that deliv impact on ever pore and security. There is a western idea that

Its conflicts and contradictions not only from the heterogeneity of its fortunate adventure, an opportunity to peoples - myriad cultures, 15 official witness a massive struggle for improvelanguages - but also from the inevi- ment and a dramatic experiment in tably uneven nature of its develop- mass democracy, to observe advances ment. It occupies both the twentieth as well as India's shrinking illusions, century and the Middle Ages. It has There has been no dull day, and India research institutes both for space has left its vivid imprints. rockets and for bullock carts.

But then India is a land where the western mind, at least, has to adjust to cook to throw it away, along with the amazement. Bandit chiefs surrender to packet. In a land where there is little Government ministers at public cer- waste, he was scandalized.

Indians are justly proud of their country and of its achievements since

the mechanism keeping the lower seriously addressed and casts a deep orders supine, which is one reason why shadow. They are touchy about India is unyielding granite for revol- criticism and sometimes rub western fur the wrong way by seeming complacent about the cruelties of their confess they find it baffling themselves. country, and for being ready to hurl The paradoxes are abundant but have stones from their crystal houses. But in

daily impact on eyes, nose, ears and because expectations India is mystic. In reality it is stomach. There is heat and dust there are also mangoes and cool rain.

To be in India is to expen

One day there were insects crawling in the breakfast cereal and I asked the

robber giving up his sawn-off to Mr Commission," he said, "and always Whitelaw at Wembley Stadium.

Indiana are interested in the comflakes are having in the comflakes are have an are having in the take them onto roof, spread them on sheet and when the sun is hot the height and peculiarities of prospective and hold the carrot of hope for independence, although some of these insects run away. Then we give brides and grooms. "Bride wanted for improvement in the next life. The are threatened by the problem of cornflakes to the sahibs."

Singer and poet Gil Scott-Heron is an incisive spokesman for black America.

Satire in search of a dream

Few visitors to Washington DC overlook the irrory of black slums stretching back for miles behind the White House. The contrast makes the town a particularly appropriate home for America's leading black or Manager Story. It was degree in American literature at Scott-Heron, who is currently performing a series of three performing a series of three concerts at the Commonwealth Institute in London.

His scathing attacks on the American Establishment, halfsung and half-spoken, are backed by a fusion of black and Hispanic musical styles. The power of his vitriol and the infectiousness of his music have won him as many white fans as

black. Politically, Scott-Heron de-scribes himself as a member of the Common Sense Party. Joining any organized group, he suspects, "tends to alienate you from the people you're trying to inform. And I'm an educator, not an organizer".

His manifesto is most tellingly delivered in a song called "B-Movie," written 10 days after Ronald Reagan's inauguration, a witheringly contemptuous but often hilarious look at the system which allowed the Actor-President to be elected by 26 per cent of the registered

Scott-Heron was born in Chicago in 1949, his father a former professional soccer player from Jamaica. His first 13 years were spent with his grandmother in Jackson, Tennessee, where he learnt the blues, his central musical influence. When he moved to New York it was to live in the Puerto Rican district with his mother, a librarian. There he imbibed both urban poverty and street-corner salsa music. Stretching his lanky, languid frame, he explains that this experience "is what made ene



Scott-Heron: "I'm an educator, not an organizer"

He attributes the failure the black radical movement in the United States to the attempts of talented organizers, particularly the leaders of the Black Panthers, to become educators and leaders too. "Huey Newton and Bobby Seale were not philosophers. Their basic premise was selfdefence. But when people started to ask them for a philosophy, they reached for that dialectic and this abstract. what their principles were. In America, you don't have to justify self-defence. The prin-ciple is simply I ain't gonna let these people walk over me any

Despite his reputation and his growing success. Scott-Heron has his critics, characterized by one reviewer who, perhaps unkindly, compared him to "a youth leader laying down the right line". He replies that he was the originator of many of those "right lines".

"We did a song about nuclear power six years before Three And his run of luck in the 1960s Mile Island," he says. "We did with macho Australian names an anti-drug song, 'Angel Dust', at a time when other American groups were still pushing drugs on kids. We did a song called 'H2Ogate' 18 months before Nixon resigned. We did 'Johannesburg' before Soweto."

But Scott-Herou's satire 'my main tool" - defies casy ideological categorization. For, as he points out, "if music is players, with Radu Lupu a dead Nick Rosen cert for the men's doubles.)

Motor racing is the only one which ever comes near it, with

I don't know who is in charge of making up the results of the Portuguese Open

on Monday was a sheer pleasure, what with Mats Wilander beating Libor Pimek to get to the final, and Yannick Noah beating Jose Higueras. Even better was the men's Kirmayr and Cassio Motta, and Pavel Slozil and Ferdi Taygan. Kirmayr and Cassio Motta have the overtones of a couple of cocktails, with Pavel Slozil reminding me more of an East European plum liqueur, but on the whole these are genuine It confused more than solidified original names, and their what their principles were. In inventor is to be congratulated. But then he has been around a long time, assuming he was also responsible for Wojtek Fibak and Vijay Amritraj, Vitas Gerulaitis and Guilermo Vilas,

lose-Luis Clerc and Ilie Nastase - and was it he or his father who invented the name which first attracted my attention to tennis. Jaroslav Drobny? Only in the English-speaking field has he occasionally been banal, with Stan Smith, Jimmy Connors and Arthur Ashe, though even there he has tried hard, with names such as Roscoe Tanner.

was impressive: Ken Rosewall, Lew Hoad Rod Laver, Tony Roche. Spot on. Tennis stands supreme as a provider of names, rivalled only by classical conducting. (Otto Klemperer, Antal Dorati, Geza Anda, Carlo Maria Giulini, Simon Rattle, Zubin Mehta they could all be fine tennis

MOREOVER ... Wiles Kington

Mixed doubles in the name game



names for international tennis its curious penchant for mixed stars, but he does nationalities: Emerson Fitti-paldi and Carlos Reutemann, a grand job. Reading the for instance.

British soccer, by contrast, is pathetic when it comes to the provision of names, with the plethora of Garys and Kennys, revors and Bobbys. Robson. Nicholas. Francis, Neal, Wilson. Moore - can we really do no better than this? I sometimes suspect that footballers are allowed to retain their real names, despite the occasional flash of a Luther Blissett or Simon Stainrod, which shows that the odd good invention is ecting through.

It is only a short step from here to pointing out that British tennis suffers from the same desperate lack of creativity. Does British tennis not avail itself of the service that provides names for everyone else? That is the only expla-nation I can think of for the presence in the past of Mark Cox, Roger Taylor, John Lloyd and Sue Barker, and in the present of no one in particular. When have the British ever produced a name like Evonne Goolsgong or Martina Navratilova? No wonder Wimbledon cannot produce a British winner. It isn't the coaching at

fault. It's the names: With this in mind, Moreover Enterprises intend to sponsor a summer camp for future British tennis stars. Anyone can apply, as long as they have a matchwinning name. Already we have one or two talented youngsters coming through, such as Bent-wood Tarquin, Jerome Barring-ton-Oyster, Kelp Chinster, Wilson Slazboys and Fletcher Henderson.

On the girls' side, we have already enrolled Kim Burlington-Danes, Anaesthesia Rattle, Malvina Cortois, Euphorbia Stakeleys and Blossom Rossini. Their tennis can come later -

 but their names are winners already. I look forward to hearing from others. That this is not an idle pipedream is shown by further study of last Monday's Times. Under the Portuguese tennis report by Rex Bellamy there is a dispatch by Lewine Mair (at

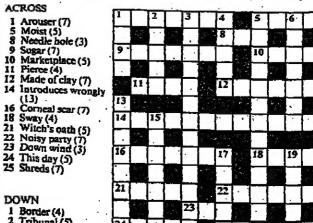
British girl. Shelley Walpole. Shelley Walpole! There's a Shelley Walpole! There's a name to beat the world with. I wish I had made it up myself. anyone can learn to play tennis Next week in SPECTRUM:

championships, and I am delighted to see that she gives

pride of place to the champion

Two extracts from Robert Fisk's In Time of War reveal Churchill's plan for Irish unity and least our tennis writers have Hitler's strategy for the fitted themselves out with good names) on the British junior invasion of Ireland

CONCISE CROSSWORD (No 39)



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In the bullet-proof parsonage where Eileen Paisley

helps to pen her husband's fighting words, new

red roses and old love letters keep romance alive

She calls him Honeybunch of My Sunshine and he calls her The Boss. Even after 26 years of marriage they can hardly bear to be parted and will telephone each other on the slightest excuse from the other side of the world; or he will send a dozen red roses. They are as much in love as when they were eager young minister and church typist snatching moments alone in a draughty

They live in a tree-lined Belfast suburb in an imposing house with an armed police checkpoint in the drive and 30ft rocket screens at the bottom of a garden guarded by a fierce concrete gnome.

They are, of course, the Rev Ian Paisley and his remarkable wife Eileen, who opened the back door to me after a few minutes careful observation through one-way security glass. All doors are reinforced with a thick layer of bullet-proof

A smile spread as she recalled her first meeting with her husband 33 years ago: "I was only 17 and right from the start Ian was the most romantic of men. For him it was love at first sight and he proposed on our third date."

Afterproposing MrPaisleywaskept waiting on his knees, speechless for perhaps the only time in his life; "I was so surprised I just sat there for a minute or two in silence. He had really swept me off my feet. I don't know what I saw in him, it was just

He always sent me flowers and love letters, which I still have in the letters he wrote not so much poetry, not rhyming poetry, but some very nice things." In the large comfortable sitting room with its piano, electric organ and family Bible, pictures of the couple smile down from the walls. from the walls.

lan was so sure we should get married, everything was always so clear to him. He had dates before but people usually date around at first. When he was away a lot on missions I never went out with anyone else like the other girls, though I doubt if any of the boys would have risked going out with

"Our love has really grown from that time and lan is one of the most sensitive of men. It would be not going too far to say we are inseparable. We have a great marriage—and to think I imagined I was going to be just a country ciergyman's wife!"

Instead she has been shot at, blown up and even stoned: "When I was a Belfast City councillor I went to open some new council houses and there was a republican demonstration. It was crazy, I had just, voted against their rents going up, but they were so angry that the security men said we should sneak out the back way. Not in my city, I said. We faced them and I was hit five times and came home with bruises. It was like something from

She has been caught in cross-fire while driving home after a meeting and has seen the sickening aftermath of many bombs. "After one particuhar bomb I could not hear for a

"They have said if they cannot get my husband they will get me, especially after Maire Drumm, the IRA leader, was killed. But I believe we are mortal until God's work is done and obviously he has more for us to do. They just missed Ian once and I do worry when he goes out.

"But it's no use running to the bank every morning to see if your money is still there. I put myself and my family in God's hands, if I lost them all I would still think it part of the new years and the see of the new years and the see of the new years." His plan." She now works so closely with her husband in his roles as MP for North Autrim, church leader and head of the Democratic Unionist Party, that she could continue if anything happened to him. It is all very homely as one sinks into the large family so the sinks into the large family so the but appearances can be deceptive and I started to have the same uneasy feeling as in my dentist's well-appointed waiting room. Whatever Fileen Paialey says about her Honeybunch, his violent bases here there the extent of the process. words have been the overime to each new cycle of the present troubles, words which this mildmannered Belfast matron helps to

The very name Paisley can inspire loathing from even the most moderate. "He is a rabble rouser", Lord Soper told his fellow peers after a Paisley rally. "He has a raucous approach and a dogmatic gesture. He is duping a lot of simple people." The Methodist leader, with uncharacteristic venom, described Paisley's academic award from the Bob Jones University of South self-inflicted

certificate, do not exactly smack of Christian charity, But to Eileen Paisley her husband can do no wrong. She is as loyal as Caesar's wife, and far more able.

She smiles when I tell her a fellow Protestant described her relationship with Ian as Duty and The Beast. "He would laugh at that one, he has a great sense of humour. But quite honestly the best way I can serve Ulster at the moment is by helping him and having been a councillor I can take a lot of weight off his shoulders." She works in his Stormont office on everything from drafting speeches to visiting the bereaved.

Eileen recently took her husband's place in an anti-IRA "truth crusade" to America when he was refused entry. A grocer's daughter, and educated at a formidable Belfast institution called Miss Elliott's, she took the tour in her stride.

The couple begin and end every day praying out loud and Eileen talks to God, while driving the car or dusting. People think God is an anstere man with a big whip to keep as down. But he is the God of love. or he would not have sent His son to die for us. If someone said to me 'Let one of your sons die for the sins of Ulster' I would not do it."

They have five children, Sharon, 25. Rhonda, 23, who is studying art in America, Cherith, 17, and twins Kyle and Iau, 16. "We are not strict and this place is open house to their boyfriends and griffriends: I would be disappointed if one of them suddenly joined the Communist Party but it would be no use saying

There was little evidence of Marxist leanings in the TV room. lan was reading a devotional book while Kyle and Cherith were watching a Cliff Richard film. Their father likes cowboys best and we tape them for him; his favourite is True Grit with John Wayne. He loves to be home." The Paisleys neither smoke nor drink alcohol.

There political and religious crusades around the world are reflected in a magpie collection of bric-e-brac from four continents. Wooden crocodiles bask in the fire place, in the hall is a kangaroo skin And the pictures of Protestants from Australia. jewelled elephants grimly drilling on windy hillsides as from India bound across bazaar



Eileen Paisley at home with the Bark of Belfast

tables and on the wall is a collection of spoons from just about everywhere. There is a Victorian exuberance about the house which transcends taste. "Ian has phoned me from all of those places", adds Eileen, proudly.

Indeed, he rang at that moment from London to inquire about the health of his 13-year-old Afghan hound Jason, who is at the vet's. "My husband has been called a fanatic because he feels the strength of what he is saying. He has a big thunderous voice and it must be

loud; it would not work if it were soft", she says.

His strength of oratory comes in part from trusting in God but also from the honey and cider vinegar Eileen makes him take every morning, in case his throat gets dry. Where would Ulster's guard dog be without his bark?" quipped a Belfast cabbie. No doubt he would manage somehow, but he would be com-pletely adrift without the quiet help of Eileen Emily Paisley.

Paul Pickering

MEDICAL BRIEFING

When jet lag has no chance



صكذا من رلاميل

TWA's plan to run a service to New York for business men, announced last week, makes good medical sense even

Dr Frank Preston, director of British Airways Medical Services, reminds us that the health advantages of a short stop-over have been elling point for Concorde since BA first used it for their own there and back in a day service six years

During such a short visit, he says, the body just does not have time to come under the influence of the new time zone. The visitor stays at British time and is capable of maintaining peak performance in

Decide to stay over, however, and Dr Preston recommends a more cautious approach. It is essential, he says, for anyone attending an important meeting to give him or herself one or two days before starting work. The best course: arrange to arrive in the evening local time, refuse all offers of hospitality and go to bed with a mild sleeping

Just a thought



Since the outbreak of the mysterious disease which is still gripping the Israeli occupied West Bank, doctors have been puzzling over two different questions.

different questions.

What caused the outbreak in the first case, and why has it spread so quickly and affected so many people?

Political tension has added to their difficulties. difficulties. Whether the underlying cause can be traced to bottles found at the school where the first girls were taken ill remains to be seen.

One hypothesis put forward to explain the rapid spread of the illness is "mass hysteria", which can be understood if you think in terms of ideas which affect behaviour being transmitted from person to person. Mass hysteria in the twentieth century has tended to involve groups

of young women as schoolgirls, with food poisoning as a common suggested cause. An example of the difficulty of diagnosing mass hysteria followed an outbreak of an unusual feverish illness at the Royal Free Hospital in London in 1970. Nurses were affected and some doctors thought it must be an infection

because a number of patients had swollen lymph glands, though an infectious agent was never isolated. Others decided it must have a psychological origin, even though young children who would be normally unlikely to mimic symptoms were also affected. Most likely, it was a mixture of the two.

Wheezy ease



Instead of viewing grim anticipation, hayfever sufferers can now look for-ward to relief from their symptoms with-out being con-

demned to a season under sedation. More than two and a half million people in Britain get wheezy and tchy and develop a runny nose in spring and summer because they are allergic to pollens in the air. When the pollens are inhaled the sufferers bodies, release abnormally high levels of histamine, and this chemical causes the symptoms,

Until recently those who wanted to drive, needed to work heavy machinery or simply had to be alert suffer because the only drugs available to combat the histamine also caused drowsiness.

mines which cannot get into the brain, and hence are without sedative side effects have been

The drugs, Triludan from Merrell Pharmaceuticals and Hismanal from Janssen Pharmaceuticals, are available on prescription from a doctor. Triludan, in tablet form for adults and children over six, was launched last year. From this month a suspension of the drug for youngsters who find that easier to take is also available. Hismanal, marketed just in time for this year's hayfeverseason, can be prescribed only for adults and children over 12.

Bristol fashion Breast-feeding moth-



ers who come across the latest device to help them artificially express their milk can be assured that it was designed with their interests at heart\despite its tongue in cheek

American-born designer William Sponsel, who is a medical student at Bristol University, has called his invention the Bristol Breast Pump. He says he wanted to acknowledge all the help he and his family have received from staff at Bristol. "I just thought it was appropriate that everyone should share in it if it

> Olivia Timbs and Lorraine Fraser

Sleeping pills: the doses and the dangers

A young death that broke no law

On January 31, the day that her mother was due back from a formight's holiday, seventeen year old Louisa put the finishing stitches in a tapestry cushion cover which was to be a welcome home present and made sure that part of a coffee cake she had baked was set aside for the returning traveller. Some time too during that day she swallowed the Normison capsules that killed her.

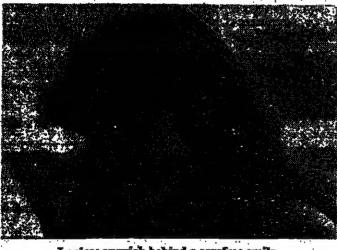
Her mother, Theo, may never know the name of the doctor who prescribed these pills. It's probable that Louisa found her family doctor off duty, so it could have been any GP in Central Louisa holden who, faced with the could be a louise of the could be a louise of the could be a louise of the lou a schoolgirl claiming rather frantically that she could not get a good night's sleep, reached for a prescription pad without paying much attention.

At the inquest, the coroner, Dr Paul Knapman, recording a verdict of misadventure. verdict of misadventure, thought that Louisa had probably taken a small overdose to feign illness and so avoid going to school. Yet although the pathologist, Professor Keith Simpson, suggested that Normi-son was an unusual drug to prescribe for such a young girl, the coroner decided not to pursue the case further.

Professor Simpson agreed that it seemed unfair to pin the offence on any one doctor. He acknowledged that doctors tend to prescribe doses that are much too large, that such a highly-examinations in History and strung girl should perhaps not. Biology, a time, according to have been given any kind of her friends at St. Paul's Girls' close family, anyone could tell didn't think things through. It's drug but that such things are School, when sound judgment you that. We all love one so easy at that age to lose a wrong but not unlawful".

As things stand, anyone over sixteen can walk into any doctor's surgery and walk out again with a prescription with

Lonisa's family would very much like to identify the doctor,



Louisa: anguish behind a carefree smile

so far, remained unauswered. In the normal way of things

Louisa would not have fitted "highly-strung" but the weeks before her death were not in the normal way of things. She was in the throes of intense revision for her forthcoming A-level

is suspended.

"It could have been any one of us," one school friend told a bit snappy about her home ishly, impetuously and really Louisa's mother. "You reach a work, I thought it would be very, very suspidly but she had stage when the world more fim for her to be with this weapon – a potentially revolves around the history essay you've failed to deliver." I was on holiday."

This group of earle with the conduction of the conduction.

if only to prevent such a tragic boyfriends and any kind of a mother, on her return that accident happening to someone social life and the desperate evening would be upset by this else's daughter, but the pill concentration on exams may skiving. But Louisa rang the bottle through which both have added to the panicky school, explained that she was pharmacist and doctor could be atmosphere. Yet photographs, not well and went back to bed traced has somehow vanished like the one on this page, taken Before shutting her bedroom bottle through which both have added to use passage the pharmacist and doctor could be atmosphere. Yet photographs, not well and went back to bed, traced has somehow vanished like the one on this page, taken before shutting her bedroom between hospital and laboratory just a few weeks before Louisa door, she told Catherine, the died, show a beautiful, laughing daily help, that she was very and courtroom and Theo's two died, show a beautiful, laughing letters to the coroner pleading girl who is very much her for the return of the bottle have normal, extrovert self.

> who told Louisa's mother: "Adolescence is a disease." happening all the time."
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> Indeed, the lack of sleep and Theo thinks that the most consequent nerviness may have likely thing is that Louisa was made Louisa feel genuinely ill. desperate for a good sleep. "She Theo said: "We're a very was a very spontaneous girl and the control of the control

This group of girls, like Twenty-three year old Eliza-Louisa, had given up serious beth, a former head girl of St.

Paul's, moved back home to stay with Louisa and was firm but sympathetic towards her youngest sister, who seemed to take rather a lot of time off

school, saying that she felt sick.
After three continuous days of absence, Elizabeth advised Louisa to see a doctor but not to get any pills. Like her mother, Elizabeth prefers natural rem-edies and the family medicine chest rarely has so much as a bonle of aspirin on its shelves. It was then that Louisa, finding her own doctor mavailable went elsewhere and returned with the Normison. Elizabeth thinks that she kept quiet about this "because she probably thought I'd be cross". The following Monday, Loui-

Elizabeth pointed out that their tired and wanted to sleep in.

normal extrovert self. When her body was disLouisa's schoolfriends shared covered early that evening, she
her problem of sleeping badly was rushed to St Stephen's
and their condition was sumHospital in the Fulham Road,
med up by St Paul's High where a doctor, on seeing there
Mistress, Heather Brigstocke, was nothing to be done, said,

Penny Perrick

Saturday

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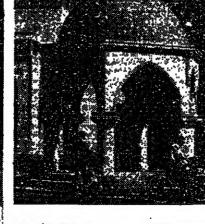
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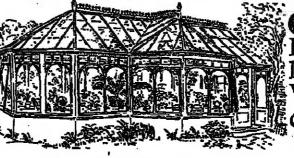
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TAUKBACK

The bright side

Curron Place, hasteste, Pumer, Middlesex HA5 2FQ.
With reference to Mrs Doreen Darby's letter (Talkback, April 8) may I offer advice to the millions of readers who suffer from distressing but not life-threatening complaints.

I spend four days each week incapacitated by migraine and it is easy to lie in the dark

is easy to lie in the dark thirds swamped by self pity. The way to tolerate the kind of life imposed by my own problem is to concentrate on the quality of the three days in which I am

pain or suffering can give a From E. C. L. Butler, 30 more positive and beneficial Mayfair, Post Hill, Tiverton, outlook Relaxation whilst in an Devon EX16 4NO.

his life had been given up to

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strengthened by overcoming the Secrets, a recent Pelican book. It would be interesting to problems caused by adversity, says that mistletoe was in olden have finther comments from Maybe we can be the ones who days used medicinally as the those with a scientific know-

To focus on the days, hours, Friendly mistletoe

From Mrs Sheila Utting. 21 may be difficult to achieve but 26) Drs Anderson and Phillip-Curron Place, Eastcoie, Pinner, Middlesex HAS 270.

With reference to Mrs Doreen distribution action — it In the letter (Talkback, March 26) Drs Anderson and Phillip-the attempt itself is worthwhile son quote from your Modern for success brings a sense of Times column of March 24 mistletoe is good for headach. es". They point out that

fort in the memory of the late
Sir Barnes Wallis who, speaking
on radio, said that one third of recognised that the berries from one assumes that the writers should be gamered were referring to the leaves. October and December or in Jean Palaiscul, a French nature. March or April and agrees generally with M Palaiscul.

It would be interesting to this plant are not to be used so standard antispasmodic and ledge of the subject.

blood pressure. He adds that modern research has shown that it is an excellent natural remedy for arteriosclerosis and high action on the vaso-motor nervous system and that it is therefore included in various patent medicines; also that it features in a method of cancer treatment known as "viscum therapy" which originated in Switzerland A German publi-



THE TIMES DIARY

Lower the boom

Concorde, the superjet, is going into the package holiday business. Only on Wednesday night the plane starred in BBC 2's OED, which breathlessly followed a first-class supersonic flight to New York, but now Thomson Holidays has com-pleted a deal with British Airways to use Concorde to carry package holiday tourists to or from Cairo. The package, with one flight by more pedestrian jet, will cost about £900 for 14 days' half-board, and will be a feature of Thomson's Winter Sun brochure to be launched

in May. British Airways itself is using the plane for a two week tour of the United States in August which it is billing as the "ultimate holiday" but for that even the cost is spectacular.

Paxton Americana

The Americans are after another bit of our heritage, the Crystal Palace, 47 years after it was burnt to the ground. They want to rebuild it in Dallas. Just as the original palace Dallas. Just as the original palace was used at the Great Exhibition of 1851 to display the miracles of the industrial revolution, the Dallas version is intended to house computers. There will have to be some modifications. Air conditioning will be installed, instead of central heating, and the glass will be darkened to reflect the Texan sun. The American architects have The American architects have sought advice from the Crystal Palace Foundation, formed four years ago to study the history of the palace, about the technical details of Sir Joseph Paxton's design. The foundation's chairman, Barry McKay, says: "We are amazed and delighted that anyone should want to rebuild it. It is going to cost them forty million dollars".

Costly move

David Pearce, secretary of the Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings, was at a planning appeal yesterday about the future use of the society's own headquarters, a listed and, the staff insist, pretty ancient building in Great Ormond Street.

The SPAB is moving to a fully restored eighteenth century building in Spitalfields, which is to be opened on May 24 by Tom King, the Environment Secretary. It has put its Bloomsbury property on the market, but Camden council had refused an application for some of the offices to be turned to commercial use. Unless yesterday's planning appeal succeeds, the society fears it will not be able to finance its new headquarters, for which an appeal for funds has already been launched.

Arriving from Vienna at Heathrow Terminal 1, Jan Morris, the travel writer, put 50p into a change exchange she got three Maltese and two Irish coins. She used one of the Maltese coins to phone me, and used the others to ring home to Wales.

On the scent

Readers have again fulfilled my faith that they know everything. My story of the Australian underground orchid, first recorded 1982, then thought extinct and now rediscovered by satellite, received several ready explanations. Admittedly a few of you were as puzzled as I was especially when in the paper the word "extinct" appeared as "exciting". This makes it less easy to complain that in the report I was referring to the year of the orchid's discovery, 1928, had been printed "1982". John May of Steyning tells me the satellite concerned is the American Landsat D, whose data identified the undisturbed bushland where the orchid might be found. The orchid has pale pink, vanilla scented subterranean flowers and it is still a mystery how it pollinated. Dr Richard Warren of Edinburgh supplied the plant's botanical name, Rhizanthella gardneri, and the fact that its discovery was reported in the Proceedings of the Royal Society of South Australia, 1928. John Ainsworth of Manchester volunteered that there is another underground orchid - but I began to think people were trying to blind me with science.

Marking time

Somewhere between the crucifixion and the resurrection the electricity failed in Warsaw's Athenaeum failed in Warsaw's Athenaeum Theatre and Alec McCowen's epic one-man recital of The Gospel According to St Mark was plunged into satanic darkness. McCowen had flown from London for the onenight performance to initiate a series theatrical and musical events designed to thaw the freeze in Anglo-Polish cultural relations. One can forgive McCowen for wondering whether the Russians cut off the power, for sitting a few feet away in made his reputation playing Lenin, to whom he bears a disquieting resemblance.



at the Algonquin in New York, where Hamlet II, successor to the hotel cat immortalized in Val Schaffner's book, has been missing for three weeks. Coastto-coast appeals in the press have brought calls

from all over the States, but no cat. At first it was thought that Hamlet had gone for a stage career at the nearby Plymouth Theatre, "but they were only casting a kitten", says Andrew Anspach, the Algonquin's managing director. Another theory is that Hamiet eloped with a she-cat from the New York Yacht Club. If so it will be a platonic affair. Hamlet is neutered.

PHS perhaps be deduced from what happened at the meeting of the

Animal abuse: the vets' dilemma

A cascade of dubious concern over animal welfare has in recent years prompted the British Veterinary Association to manufacture more hardware for its war of political intrigue - namely more committees. Committees have examined the export of live animals for slaughter, the battery system and veal calves, with little noticeable effect on the welfare of the animals. Now a subcommittee is to consider laboratory. animals; it is a safe prediction that it will do no more than tinker with the tinsel around the package of established practice.

A few years ago the animal welfare committee was conceived, presumably to coordinate the views of the various professional factions and to advise the BVA on welfare matters. This committee was no exception to the rule. Peopled by part-time politicians pushed into offfice, it has lamentably failed to fire the imagination.

It has, for example, given much tongue to the detrimental effects of airguns in the hands of small boys, while it has studiously ignored the adverse welfare consequences of shotguns manipulated by rather older lads.

The difficulty facing the profession results from its chronic condition - corporate schizophrenia. While it has always claimed to be principally interested in animal walfare it has in fact been subservient to its clients.

As long as there was no conflict between the farmer's expectations and that of the veterinary surgeon – healthy stock kept under traditional systems of management – the professional ethic remained unchal-

Geraldine Norman on

the inside dealing

over the Sotheby's bid

Going but

not quite

gone to

Cogan and Swid

Sotheby's have discovered a word to

describe the absence of sympathetic

understanding that is lacking between themselves and the unlikely named Americans Mr Cogan and

Mr Swid, who are trying to buy the whole Sotheby empire for \$100m.

It is synergy, defined by Webster's as meaning "combined action or

Someby's say there is a lack of it

between themselves and the Ameri-

almost anyone else in the world.

looks white and drained as he makes

Bond Street headquarters where the

serious conversation between small

huddles of friends lapses into silence

as a stranger walks by. Only two spokesmen are officially permitted

to communicate with the outside

world, one for the management and

About 130 of the expert staff in

London have told the Americans, in

a letter which seems to stem from

very senior levels in the company,

that a takeover would cause them

Kate Losinska is your actual cockney sparrow (she gets her

uncockney name from her Polish-

born husband), standing about five

feet and looking as though she

weighs herself on a letter balance. Oninions differ as to what would

happen if an armed murderer got

into her home, intent upon doing

her a mischief, when she was alone; some say she would break both his

arms, while others declare that such

sometimes the moderates have swept the board, and anon, at the

next election, the same board has

been swept by a coalition of forces drawn largely from the ranks of the Communist Party, the Militant

Tendency and various Trotskyist

groupuscules (the coalition calls

It should not be supposed that the members of the CPSA are exception-

ally volatile in their opinions. The

problem is an old one in British

trade unions; there is no individual

postal ballot, and members may

vote only at meetings. And as my

readers have weary cause to know.

union branch meetings are com-

monly packed by the tiny proportion

of extremists, while the vast silent

It cannot be good for the country, never mind the CPSA, to have

extreme Marxists in control of a

union which is so closely concerned

in the work of government (some

Ministry of Desence branches have

nominated Communist Party and

Trotskvist candidates for union

office), but if that is what the union's

members want, no democrat could

wish to deny them their choice.

Whether they do want it may

itself the Broad Left).

majority stays at home.

immediately to consider alterna-

issue without emotion.

one for the staff.

legs as well.

Nerves, not to mention raw

operation (as of muscles or nerves)

can bidders.

by David Coffey

lenged. Veterinary surgeons judged the welfare of their patients simply in terms of physical well-being taking their psychological state for granted. Our understanding of the complexities of the animal mind has in recent years been greatly enhanced by the relatively new science of animal behaviour. This growing awareness has sadly been confounded by the technological revolution which has permitted, indeed encouraged, the intensification of animal management systems, on the farm and in laboratories, which ignore their psychological needs.

Our dilemma as veterinary surgeons is clear. Should we retain our professional status, subservient to the agricultural and pharmaceutical industries whose declared and sole objective is profit, and insure for ourselves a reasonable income? Or should we try to ascertain the limits of abuse to which animals can reasonably be subjected, in order to provide them with adequate welfare standards?

If, as I hope, we opt for the latter, it will be necessary to establish a general concept of animal welfare. While science can make important contributions, happiness, contentment, frustration and pain are important subjective experiences which cannot be objectively identified or quantified. Nevertheless most reasonable people would accept that such feelings probably exist in animals, as they would concede that animals feel hunger and the need for sexual fulfilment.

Some years ago a detailed report of a working party convened by the Very Rev Dr Edward Carpenter, Dean of Westminster, entitled "Animals and Ethics" was presented at a press conference. The compilers included eminent theologians, veterinarians, ethologists, agriculturists and members of the Animal Welfare Movement. While it would be foolish to pretend that this was the definitive concept of animal welfare it was certainly worthy of consideration. The presidents of both the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons and the BVA haughtily declined to attend.

If the BVA wishes to be taken seriously as participant in the discussion on animal welfare it has to assume more humility and consider the subject in much greater depth.

The veterinary profession has a fine record of service to animals, however hamstrung it may have been by the need to earn a living. Many members are well aware of, and subscribe to, the need to consider the psychological as well as the physical needs of domesticated animals or those kept in captivity, and they could make a considerable contribution to the general discussion. It will indeed be a shame for the profession as well as for the animals if that knowledge and concern is stifled, shackled and finally submerged by a small group of the profession's politicians whose real objectives and motivation are often obscure.

The author is a veterinary surgeon and former research officer at the Ministry of Agriculture.

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Graham Llewellyn, Gordon Brunton and Julian Thompson of

ment pressed this home when they met Cogan and Swid last Sunday, pointing out that experts might emotion, are showing in both camps resign on masse and set up a new as the Americans try to muscle in. Graham Llewellyn, Sotheby's chief executive, has been letting his auction operation, collaborate with an existing auctioneer to build the business or leave individually and passion show when speaking to the press in comments such as "we join rival dealers. So far no attempt wouldn't recommend the offer at any price" or "I'll blow my brains a strategy. Indeed one is quickly told machine to make a telephone call. In out if they succeed. Julian Thomp. of the legal barriers preventing employees forming chairman last year, and who knows committee or, indeed, taking any action that might damage the more about Chinese porcelain than

> Half a mile away, in a rented suite a superhuman effort to discuss the in Park St. Marshall Cogan and Stephen Swid are visibly shaken by That is the picture in Sotheby's the freezing reception they have had from Sotheby's board and the ferocity with which the firm is fighting to keep them out.

business that employs them.

"He's the smart guy. I'm the good looking one". says Swid, explaining the double act. "It is a matter of "Marshall and I think..." or "Stephen and I decided...". They make it very clear that their bid for Sotheby's is not a matter of one company taking over another but a personal matter of two men who have seen a great international

business in trouble and want the excitement of putting their own business talents to work to sort it out. "We're winners", they say, pointing to their success with Knoll International, a furniture making

This is where the lack of "synergy" comes in. Nobody had ever heard of Cogan and Swid before they announced the acquisition of a per cent stake in Sotheby's last December. They are nice guys from middle America who take their jackets off and roll up their sleeves.

If only they were famous, and better connected, Sotheby's might be able to welcome them as collaborators in building the business. They would then have some "synergy with the millionaire collectors, jet setters and ruined aristocrats selling off their heirlooms who constitute the clientele.

The language spoken by Cogan and Swid, American business jargon, cannot convey the concerns and approach of Sotheby's directors. Equally, the phraseology of Old Etonian aesthetic commercialism is not translatable into Cogan and

The two sides have clearly failed

to understand each other from the start - whether purposely or not is unclear - and have each latched on to minor matters as a source of bitter resentment. The first meeting between the two sides took place in December. Sotheby's were represented by Gordon Brunton, the non-executive chairman whose real job is running International Thomson, Graham Llewellyn, Sotheby's chief executive and former head of the London jewel department, John Marion, chairman of Sotheby's American board, and Jesse Wolff, deputy chairman and lawyer in New

Sotheby's are particularly angry over a press statement issued by Cogan and Swid. This, Sotheby's bitterly aver, has caused the firm to

In contrast, Cogan and Swid bitterly complain of Sotheby's imposing a total ban in all countries where they operate on anyone concerned with the firm speaking to them. "Sotheby's experts do not accept items for sale without looking at them personally and making an assessment", Cogan and Swid complain. "None of the experts have been allowed to look at us

Last Sunday Cogan and Swid met Sotheby's main board and sought to explain what a good deal they were offering Sotheby's staff, with special consideration for experts and profit-sharing incentives. They then asked for a private meeting with departmental experts.

As "working experts" they singled out Julian Thompson, John Marion, chairman of the American board and Peter Wilson, chairman of Sotheby's from 1958 to 1980,the author and architect of its inter-national success. Wilson now lives in the south of France and "helps to find business" from semi-retire-

The Americans thus pointedly left out Graham Liewellyn, a long-standing expert and executive. The Three chosen" men successfully urged the addition of Jim Lally, the American expert on Chinese art, to the group. One gets the impression from

Cogan and Swid that this group, were painfully aggressive and frank.
But Wilson, "behaved like a true
gentleman", say Cogan and Swid,
Those of us who have watched

with awe the ruthless genius for fixing deals displayed by Peter Wilson over his 20-year run as chairman, and have fallen delighted victims to his charm, are entitled to ask: "What's up?"

(two votes): Chambers, Mrs M.; Pemberton, F. For National Execu-

David Watt

Putting Carter in perspective

chancelleries of Europe more than two years to set up this cry, in spite of the utter misery and dejection with which they contemplate the attitudes and accomplishments of Mr Reagan, may be considered some kind of measure of their disonchantment with the Carter regime at the end of its term. Nevertheless I have noticed a distinct softening of attitudes to the Carter recording to the control of the carter recording to the carter regime at the Carter record in recent months, and now along comes Carter's National Security Adviser, Zbigniew Brzezinski, to give another boost to

the rehabilitation with his own account of what happened to American foreign policy between 1976 and 1980.* It is an unusually fair and honest

book, one of the best of its kind to be published in recent years, and it makes a good case for Carter. The prize exhibits are naturally the Camp David agreements, the Panama Canal treaties, the final normalization of relations with China and the Salt II treaty which, though never ratified, has at least been

observed by both sides.

Brzezinski also claims credit for some developments which will be less universally acclaimed but which can at least be said to meet the Reaganite charge that Carter was "soft on Communism" - economic sanctions against the Soviet Union after Afghanistan, the reinjection of the American military presence into the Persian Gulf, the formation of the rapid deployment force and the reinvigoration of Nato.

For liberals he has not so much to show, but he offers Carter's real attempt to get to terms with the Third World and the double-edged claim that after the cynical politics of the Nixon/Kissinger era, Carter reidentified the US with certain basic ideals: "justice, equity, majority rule, self-determination and the dignity of the individual".

The personal portrait Brzezinski draws of Carter is also appealing. Inexperienced, certainly, with a streak of naivety. Also a poor public speaker and a mediocre manager, both in terms of American politics and of his own team. But highly intelligent, brave, loyal, a very able negotiator and genuinely high-prin-

What went wrong? Brzezinski doesn't really give us a specific reply - except of course "bad luck" which brought on the Iranian disaster and the hostages debacle in the last year of the President's term. Reading between the lines of his book, though, it is possible to put together some reasonable answers.

In the first place there was "bad luck" of a more fundamental kind than the fall of the Shah. Carter inherited an American public opinion that was "on the turn" between liberalism and conservatism, between optimism and pessimism, between excessive belief in detente with the Soviet Union and equally excessive rejection of it. After Wateres people wanted idealism, which is why they elected Carter rather than Ford. But after Vietnam national pride was badly bruised and so idealism was required with a more brazen and nationalistic face than would have been necessary in the

Carter's style - technocratic and these contours. His idealism was too

*Power and Principle, to be pub-lished by Weidenfeld and Nicolson.

"Come back Jimmy Carter. All - or at any rate nearly all - is forgiven." his informality as weakness. But it was not only a matter of style and public relations. It was Carter's misfortune to find himself in an international situation that could hardly have been more unfavourable to his purposes. His instincts were constantly at war with the needs of world politics and often of

domestic politics also.

Take human rights, for instance—
one of the main planks of his
platform. He rapidly found that in promoting this concept he not only wrecked his relations with the Russians, thus undermining the Selt process, but also upset a number of the Third World countries he was hoping to influence.

He was never able to evolve a satisfactory solution to the central problem of the Soviet Union. Should be regard Soviet behaviour in Africa or Central America as a bar to progress on disarmament? Should he play the "China card" and risk a worsening of East-West relations?
He vacillated, and indeed institutionalized this confusion in his

foreign policy appointments. His heart, represented by his Secretary of State, Cyrus Vance, said "Push ahead with détente"; his head, represented by Brzezinski, said "Détente is all very well, but you must link Soviet behaviour in general with specific negotiations: and even if you don't, the American
public and Congress will."

It is impossible to read all this
without a feeling of deep depression
for it confirms all the worst fears

about the inability of the American system to cope with the problems of world leadership. The weakness of the American cabinet in relation to the presidency; the power of Congress; the multiplicity and force of special interest groups, such as the Zionist lobby, the volatility and ignorance of much of middle America over foreign policy issues—all this puts burdens on the President which require superhuman powers to bear.

Yet the electoral system and the power of the media ensure that presidential candidates under modern conditions are not necessarily chosen for their potential skill in managing the incredible com-plexities of the international world. far less imposing a coherent pattern on American foreign policy. Carter aspired to be a cross between Nixon and Kennedy, but he had neither Nixon's knowledge nor Kennedy's

charisma. Brzezinski himself believes that the only way to restore consistency and moderation is (a) to reorganize the institutions so that the National Security Adviser has a definite coordinating role in foreign policy on the same lines as the Director of the Budget and (b) to revive the post-war notion of a bi-partisan American foreign policy. But the first of these could have no more than marginal effects and the second, though infinitely desirable, would entail the abandonment of the right-wing ideology that is President Researc's dominant cal asset.

The answer must be good, moderate leadership. But where is it to come from? Brzezinski remarked in conversation recently that had Carter been prepared to bomb Tehran, even at the sacrifice of the lives of the American hostages, he might have won the election. He is casually, aimost diffidently, earnest probably right. And Carter was - was quite unable to mould itself to certainly right to refrain. But the price extracted by the electorate for his restraint will not exactly

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encourage others to fellow his example. It is a bleak prospect.

Philip Howard

Pardon, Noah, your ship is slowing

Digest will keep the penurious freelance scribbler in brown bread and carbon paper for longer than one for most other publications. Even when it reprints some bon mot or other extract as one of those whimsical little footnotes at the bottom of the page, it pays both author and original publisher hand-

That apart, predigesting and shortening books for those who cannot be bothered to read a whole book has always seemed to me a philistine thing to do. This may be an intolerably elitist view: but a book is a book; some books are the finest products of the best minds of their generations; there are enough of such books to keep one reading and one should pay a book and its author the respect of reading the whole works rather than a subbeddown version

Undeterred by elitist disapproval, Reader's Digest is going ahead with the big one. This autumn it is bringing us an improved and abridged verion of the Bible. In the beginning was the Word. But the Word was too damned long, and too difficult, and busy people with important things to do could not be expected to plough through all those longueurs about who begat whom, and Joshua the son of Nun, and Caleb the son of Jephunneh, who were, if you remember, the only two who ever got through to the Land of Milk and Honey.

The editors of Reader's Digest have managed to slim down the Old Testament by half, and the New should write the New Testament in Testament by a quarter, so that, according to the puff, "now you can read the Bible cover to cover," like a thriller rather than a Testament.

Jesus's own words have been eliminate repetitions; and when God becomes a bit prolix and boring in the Old Testament, the editors have just cut him off. Pope Gregory the prophecy, God shall take away his Great said that the Bible is a stream wherein the elephant may swim and the lamb may wade, Reader's Digest

I'll say this for Reader's Digest: it has dammed it and turned it into a pays its backs well. An article for the paddling-pool where donkeys may

After all those animal metaphors, here is an example of the condensation from God's instructions to Noah about how to preserve the animals from the flood. In King James's version, he says: "Make thee an ark of gopher wood; rooms shalt thou make in the ark, and shalt pitch it within and without with pitch. And this is the fashion which thou shalt make it of. The length of the ark shall be three hundred cubits, the breadth of it fifty cubits, and the height of it thirty cubits. . . And take thou unto thee of all food that is eaten, and thou shalt gather it to thee; and it shall be for food for thee, and for them."

This is the Digest's version: "You are to make an ark of gopher wood and cover it with pitch. Make it four hundred and fifty feet long, seventyfive feet wide, and forty-five feet high. . Also take with you every sort of food, and store it up for you and them." It may not have the antique grandeur of King James's. which was drummed into the memories and the intellectual background of all children at school and on Sundays until recently. But it is certainly clearer and shorter.

I just hope they know what they are doing. Authors are notoriously touchy about having their pieces cutas we see every day in the wordfactory.

Who was it who said that it seemed odd, not so much that when God decided to write a book, he should write it in Greek; but that he such bad Greek? The Great Editor in the Sky left a stern warning to would-be subs and digesters in The Revelation of St John the Divine 22. Jesus's own words have been 18: "If any man shall add unto these things. God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in this book And if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this part out of the book of life, and out of the holy city, and from the things. which are written in this book."

Bernard Levin: the way we live now

Urgent – put a cross for cockney Kate

a claim is quite preposterous, and insist that she would break both his Unfortunately, the enemies she faces are by no means so simple to deal with: she has been battling with them for nearly 20 years, and the battle shows no sign of ending or even slackening in its intensity. For Security; of 6,000 members, there she leads the moderate forces in the Civil and Public Services Associwere only 40 left at the meeting when it finally got to the nomi-nations for the union's national ation (the largest of the Civil Service unions), and over the years control The extremist Broad Left", says of the union has swung from side to side like a car with a drunken driver,

Mrs Losinska, "rely on our members' apathy to elect them by default", and that is precisely what happened at the last "general election" in the union, when the Broad Left gained control of the NEC by a majority of 24-4; the majority includes three members of the Communist Party and eight supporters of Militan! including the union's present president. Mr Kevin Roddy, (Mr Roddy, who is standing for president again, opposing Kate Losinska herself, does not seek to disguise his political alliliations, saying in his election address that he is a supporter of Militant and that "I have always proudly and openly declared where I stand". This could hardly be said by another member of the Broad Left slate. Mr Ray Alderson, who is standing for one of the two vice-president posts; in 64 lines of his appeal for election he cannot spare half a dozen words to mention that he is a member of the Communist Party. Nor does the Broad Left's main election leaflet do so - indeed, it carefully avoids

The CPSA has always been, in the vital narrow sense, non-political; though many of its campaigns have obviously and inevitably been For President (one vote): Losinpolitical in character, it has never, as ska, Mrs K. M. For Vice-President

allegiances of the coalition.)

mentioning any of the political

union's biggest branch in the a body, supported any particular Newcastle Central Office of the party. The Broad Left wants Department of Health and Social affiliation to the Labour Party, which cannot be enacted under the union's present rules; they have therefore proposed that the annual conference (which they can control much more easily than the elections) should change the rules to permit such affiliation: they have already passed a resolution for affiliation to CND. No doubt many members of the CPSA support CND or vote Labour, whether even all of these, never mind the others, want the union, for the first time in its history, to be affiliated to such bodies, is another matter.

Anyway, before that interesting question is answered there is a more urgent one. The CPSA elections are now in progress, and some indication of the apathy of the majority can be gained from the fact that only one third of the union's 1,100 branches have so far indicated even that they are definitely going to hold ballot-meetings. In the belief that the majority of the members want leaders who will continue to strive for better pay, conditions and union electoral procedures while rejecting political extremism, and the hope that they can be induced to go to their branch meetings and vote for such leaders, I now print the list put forward by the National Moderate Group in the Civil and Public Services Association. (The numbers before the names on the list for National Executive Committee are those that will be found on the ballot

tive Committee (twenty-six votes): 2. Scott-Ander- 50. Mylward, son. Ms S. Mrs P.
12. Billouin, J. 51. Newall, A. 16. Bruce, J. 17. Butcher, J. 54. Parry, Mrs S. 56. Pemberton, 18. Butterworth, F 57. Poyntz, Mrs 21.: Carr. A.

23. Chambers, 58. Price, Mrs J. Mrs M. 61. Richards, K. Mrs M. 61. Richards, K. 28. Elliott, C. H. 66. Simmonds, 35. Hepple, Mrs A.

69. Thomas P. 36. Hickman, 71. Wilde, Mrs J. Miss M. 72 40. James, Mrs J. P. 72. Winkworth, 45. Losinska, Mrs P.

Mrs K. M. 75. Wright, M. 49. Milnes, D. K. D. Would members who wish to vote for the moderate slate please not that they should vote for Mrs Losinska for president and Mrs Chambers and Mr Pemberton for vice-president, but also for all three for the national executive, as a candidate defeated for senior office can still be elected onto the NEC.

Spitting into the wind is a thankless task; the best that can be hoped for from the exercise is an eyeful of spit. Nevertheless, spit I must. To cast a vote in an important election which is part of our democratic process does not seem to me to rank with the Labours of Hercules, even if the voter cannot do it sitting at home with his feet up but must go to a hall and be bored insensible for a couple of hours before he gets a chance to mark his card. Whether the members of the CPSA can be induced - by the hard work of Mrs Losinska and her allies or by my exhortation - to exercise their democratic right in their union's election I do not know. What I do know is that if enough of us fail to vote in enough elections we shall one day find that we no longer have any elections to vote in, and if the CPSA moderates, and my advocacy of their cause, are not sufficient to persuade the majority

to turn out and vote, perhaps that thought may be.

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TOWARDS STABILITY

Yesterday's cuts in the major deficit may be higher than having exchange and interest banks' base interest rates were intended, do not yet leave much rate targets would have implied banks' base interest rates were hardly dramatic. The fall was only half a point and had been predicted for some time. But they are particularly welcome because they mark the end of an unpleasant phase of uncertainty for Britain in the financial markets.

Lower oil prices were bound to lead to a relative fall in sterling, because they are more beneficial to the other major oilimporting industrial countries. Currency dealers took this as a signal for a large-scale assault on sterling, taking it well below a sensible level. At the same time, the future of the United States monetary policy was deeply unclear, as the Federal Reserve Board agonized over whether it should raise interest rates in response to poor money supply. figures. For the moment at least, these uncertainties have disappeared. The price of oil has stabilized. Sterling has stabilized and the Federal Reserve Board

has decided not to act: Lord Richardson, retiring governor of the Bank of England, and his American opposite number Mr Paul Volcker have both made it clear that they want to see interest rates much lower worldwide to encourage economic recovery and to help resolve the debt problems of newer industrial nations. But the wish is not enough. At home, both the City and the authorities are taking a cautious line. They expect base rates to fall only one further point in the rest of the year. That is one reason why the Bank of England delayed the latest fall until yesterday. It did not want interest rates to fall too fast for fear that they might rise later with damaging effects on confidence. Too steep a fall could upset the pound and jeopardize the Government's: monetary targets. The first two rate policy. It is impossible to months' money figures for the target money, interest rates and current year, added to the the exchange rate at the same likelihood that this year's budget time. In the past four years,

room for manouevre.

There is some historical evidence that interest rates reflect past inflation for long periods rather than any deeply perceptive forecasts for the future. The troubles of the international banking system, the running down of oil states' bank balances and the more cautious attitude of bankers, likewise all suggest that interest rates may stay too high for the good of the world economy as inflation falls.

sec-sawing currency. markets also exert a malevolentinfluence. Although bank-fuelled: speculation which shifted from the European currencies to the pound has temporarily abated, it would be foolish to think that speculators will not soon settle on a new target, Raising interest. rates remains the most effective short-term way for a government to defend its currency.

This can only change if. governments consciously aim at greater stability as a goal in its own right, vital to trade and to business decisions. It was perhaps inevitable that the determined efforts of Britain, the United States and other countries to beat inflation and restore sound money would be bought; at the expense of wildly fluctuating exchange rates and interest rates, with the two acting on each

Now that so much progress. has been made on inflation, governments can pay more attention to these other variables, which are just as vital to the economy. The House of Commons Treasury committee is a little disingenuous to complain that the Government has no interest rate or exchange

abandoning a monetary policy. But there is some sense in the committee's charge. It is possible to aim at the most stable combination of the three, at the cost of some compromise on the

purity of any one policy target. As the committee pointed out, wild swings in the value of the currency have more effect on the economy than the odd billion on or off the budget. Greater stability in financial

markets now offers better hopes for big cuts in interest rates than sound money on its own. The Bank of England has already moved in this direction, although it wisely did not try to prop up the pound against the flood of events.

The Williamsburg summit next month is now concentrating people's minds internationally on ways they can cooperate more effectively. Lord Richardson has said more clearly than ever that exchange rate stability should be an important world policy objective. Sir Jeremy Morse, chair-man of Lloyds Bank, and Dr Henry Kissinger have now proposed interesting and realistic schemes. Japan's prime minister Mr Nakasone has lent his weight.

The summit itself may disappoint such hopes. But it could none the less achieve a great deal if the six smaller nations can persuade the United States to make a moral commitment not to raise interest rates from present levels. That would be the greatest single contribution to currency stability and lower world interest rates. It would also force the United States to take a more responsible attitude to its own budget in the interests of world recovery. For there can be no hope of lasting currency stability and cheap money unless all the major governments take great care to keep their own house in order and do not let any of the vital economic variables

UNIFORM OPPORTUNITIES

A generation has passed since Navy and Air Force in providing ter-building aspects of its the cold winter of 1960 when the training and work experience for experience which at the time last conscript was inducted into the young memployed is practithe Army. For today's ado- cal common sense, it is fitting lescents, National Service is a that the announcement of the folk memory, barely remem- scheme fell to Mr Michaelbered even by their parents. Heseltine, whose approval of a without and Mr Heseltine's Khaki has been replaced by drab. £1 million subsidy from his own greens and the functional outfits of modern fighting men; the nation has relapsed into the ways of its history, holding the armed forces in regard, to be sure, but as a thing apart, a caste. Few homes now have direct contact the physical dereliction but the with the forces by blood: our sympathies and common feeiings are relayed and sometimes trivialized by radio, television and newspaper reports. So must it be with the professionalization of the military. Yet the new youth training scheme may be a small antidote now that it has which depends on employers for

flow of volunteers on twelve- realize that within the canyons of month training placements the bureaucracy, in the dockmight replace ignorance and yards and in the museums there synthetic knowledge with direct are many opportunities for perception of the strengths and practical experience. weaknesses of a peace-time The services offer some of the fighting machine. The individ-best opportunities. Within the uals training with the forces, armed forces there exists a young men and women, will magnificent machine for training surely benefit in a personal raw youth. Without undue sense; but beyond that there may deviation from its essential feed out into wider society an purposes that machine can find appreciation of the work of the room for driving instruction, armed forces at a level deeper electronics work, maintenance than the celebratory, even adu-skills - as well as weapons latory, attitude produced by training. The National Service

victory in the Falklands War. The involvement of the Army,

Sat. I find it strange that Richard

Holmes, commenting (feature, April 2) on John Donne's Good Friday

poem, should say: "It is difficult to magine him stopping his horse to

study the primroses in the Welsh

He must know that at Montgomery

Castle, his destination in April

1613, Donne did, in fact, write

another poem based on his close

observation of a field of primroses,

where their form, and their infinity,

True, he characteristically takes

the flower in its various forms as

representative of woman and not as

an emblem of springtime renewal; but to suggest that he was by nature

indifferent to nature is less than fair.

make a terrestrial galaxy".

Yours faithfully,

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April 7.

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Donnish dalliance

From Mr C. R. K. Perkins

woodlands.

department's funds is a generous gesture. Those close to the minister will remember that. among his most enduring the weeks after Toxicth was not pointlessness and emptiness pointed out to his face in crude language on more than one occasion - of some of the Manpower Services Commission's schemes for the young jobless. Their limitations are not wholly the fault of the MSC been extended to the armed work experience, it has taken the country's biggest employer - the In small measure the annual Government - far too long to

> The services offer some of the generation is sometimes over fond of emphasizing the "charac-

experience which at the time appeared to be exactly the opposite. But the forces have changed. Modern armies fight psych-war within as well as provision for a 14-day period of "notice" seems sensible and fair. There are at present some seven applicants for each Army vacancy; the 5,200 places on the impressions from Merseyside in new scheme are likely to be oversubscribed. Politicians' talk of

scheme's anticipating compul-sory enlistment of the young unemployed is nonsense. Other objectors - within the military should pause, too. There will of course be hesitation over budgets raided and the loss of elasticity that might occur when seasoned trainers are redeployed on the difficult task of knocking innercity adolescents into shape in a short space of time. But in the medium run there is a bonus.

Britain's reserves are limited. Without conscription the forces' back-up is considerably less than in other Nato countries. Young men and women with twelve months military training and discipline under their belts will not immediately convert into soldiers or sailors in some future emergency, but they would provide a cadre of half-trained manpower. If during their stints they have acquired a habit of self-reliance and a willingness to respond to a national call to arms then they could form the basis of a reserve force in depth.

Nostell Priory painting

From Mr Eric Lyall

Sir, Some of your readers may have assumed that Mr Barlow's letter (April 9) was intended for publi-cation on April 1. Bearing in mind the possibility that this is not so

Rebus-makers cheerfully made (and make) far worse puns than those suggested by Mr Leslan (Spectrum, March 25).

sufficiently near to Jean cache. Faire tapisserie has come to mean "to be a wall-flower" though it has retained its earlier meaning of "to

line the walls". Tapisserie also can mean a carpet. Crédence or credence in English

tempted to maintain their language, but there have been developments over the centuries. Perhaps we should add an expert in medieval French to the historian and botanist. Meanwhile the other meaning of

Yours faithfully, ERICLYALL, Riders Grove, Old Hall Green, April 9.

Politics and voluntary bodies

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Council for Voluntary Organisations Sir, The Dr Vaughan "affair" has potentially raised a number of crucial questions about the relations between Government and indepen-

elderly or handicapped, with chil-

dren in trouble or ex-offenders, with

the mentally ill or chronically sick

and those assisting the poor or unemployed or seeking to improve

our environment have a primary

interest in providing services, they

may also seek to improve conditions

or address the causes of problems.

This may well lead voluntary organisations and others to advocate

changes in the policies and practices

of a local authority or of a government department in the

interests of those they seek to serve.

servants have benefited from the advice given by voluntary organis-ations. It would be a sad loss to the

paymasters would be as dangerous

and improper in this context as in

the other areas of our free society

where the principle of the "arm's

length grant" (support without control of policy, though subject to

scrutiny of propriety and efficiency)

bodies and causes. There is already

adequate protection in the existing

charities law against "political" abuse by the recipients; but it is for

the Charity Commissioners by due

process to enforce, not for ministers

There remains lamentable con-

fusion about what is and what is not

"political" activity. Case law suggests that some aims are classi-

not, even though both seek to

influence public policy, legislation,

the judgment between them is itself

"political", with a bias against those who would change rather than

It would be more in accordance with the principle that law should be

clear, ascertainable and predictable

by administrative whimsy.

proper aims.

Successive ministers and civil

From Mr Brynmor John, MP for Pontypridd (Labour) and Mr Peter Shore, MP for Tower Hamlets, Stepney and Poplar (Labour)
Sir, Your Political Correspondent, Anthony Bevins, simply got it wrong when he wrote last Wednesday (Species April 6) educt Tebeurs dent bodies in receipt of Exchequer financial support and about the proper balance between indepen-(feature, April 6) about Labour's dence and accountability. policy for pensioners. He has mixed For many years voluntary organ isations have received grants from

up two separate matters. The costing of £2bn for "benefits public funds. Such funding has and pension increases" given in Labour's pre-Budget Economic increased very considerably over the past decade; and today many of our Statement relates to the full-year social and other welfare services costs of measures we considered of depend on the contributions of priority in year one, had we been in voluntary organisations working in power at the time of last month's partnership with local authorities and central government. While those who work with the Budeet.

Labour's 12-point plan for pen sioners is a phased programme and the costings given were not for the first full year but were the full-year cost of the plan when wholly Yours faithfully, BRYNMOR JOHN, PETER SHORE, House of Commons.

Post-coital pill

April 12.

From Mr Gerard Wright, QC. Sir, Mr Ian Kennedy asserts (April 11) that the law on abortion concerns itself with pregnancy and procuring a miscarriage. This is not so. It is quite true that the Offences against the Person Act 1861 strikes at acts done "without intent to procure the miscarriage of any woman, but the underlying policy of our law, both in that Act and in the common law from time immemorial, is the protection of human life. Would anyone wish it to be otherwise?

Legal authors of the past dealt with abortion at common law in terms of the medical knowledge of their day. Thus Bracton deemed abortion to be homicide and said that such homicide was committed when the foctus was animatum (alive). Later authors, eg. Coke, reduced the crime committed from homicide to "a great misprision" and said that it was committed when a woman was "quick with child". Quick, of course, means alive.

We know that quickening physical sensation experienced by a mother when, for the first time, she feels life within her. In fact she has had life within her since the moment of conception, for it is an indisputable biological fact that human life

begins at fertilization.

The post-coltal pill destroys the life that the woman carries within etc; and this breeds suspicion that her. I agree with Dr Finnis (April 5) that in doing so it causes her to miscarry within the meaning of the Offences against the Person Act 1861. However, even were this not so, it is still an offence at common law to destroy that which Bracton described as animatum and Coke as

quick. We now know that the fertilized Housing Bill ovum is both animatum and 'quick" because it has human life, From the Chairman of the Conand I would therefore suggest that, statute apart, the common law of England protects the living but unimplanted conceptus and readers the use of the post-coital pill

Yours faithfully. GERARD WRIGHT, Melbourne Buildings, 21 North John Street, Liverpool April 11.

From Dr Margaret White Sir, In over 20 years on the Bench I

have come to expect lawyers to use words, like Humpty Dumpty, to suit their own purposes. Ian Kennedy (April 11) is the first lawyer in my experience to use emphasis in this way. He writes: "We only speak of an ectopic pregnancy if the egg has implanted somewhere".

We don't speak of an ectopic pregnancy but an ectopic pregnancy, meaning that in this case the oregnancy is extra-uterine.

On the question of test-tube babies he asks, "whose pregnancy would the test-tube baby be?" If there is no human life before implantation why does he use the expression test-tube baby? Likewise, what do infertile women receive when they pay for in-vitro fertiliza-

Nothing is added to the embryo in the womb except nourishment. If life is not present before the fertilized egg is injected into the womb it certainly won't be there Yours sincerely,

MARGARET WHITE 196 Lower Addiscombe Road, Croydon,

Christians and Jews

From Mr Noel Hughes

Sir, In his perceptive comment on your leader, "Jesus was a Jew" (April 2) Professor Moule pointed out (April 7) that it was under the swastika, rather than the Cross, that the Jews suffered their holocaust. Perhaps he might agree that, today, it is the hammer and sickle rather than the Cross that bears most hard. May I take up a point that Professor Moule passed by? "The record of organized Christendom", you argued, "entitles no Christian to presume that his church is any more complete in its spirituality than the rabbinical approach theoretically left behind, in the wrong twenty centuries ago". The years of disspora have brought the Jews much persecution, but also a freedom from the responsibility for the exercise of political power. Will Israel prove truer to Judaism than "organized Christendom" has been to the teaching of Christ?

Yours faithfully NOEL HUGHES, 16 Mount Ararat Road, Richmond, Surrey. April 11. From Mr Ivan Jelinek Sir, I would like to point out that the opinions, expressed in your leading article, "Jesus was a Jew" (April 2),

God and man.

God chose a particular time, 6 Gordon Avenue,

From the Chairman of the National adopted, namely - that politics is essentially about the retention and transference of government power

and that, in a democratic society and in the present context, "political" activity consisted only of activity whose aims include, overtly or covertly, the influencing of the electoral process in favour of (or

against) any person or party.

Contributing to debates on public policy and administration would not, as such, constitute "political" activity in this context. If it did, every body that ever sought to influence government and Parliament, including many highly respected and worthy charities, would be caught.

If they are excluded, then the line can only be drawn either "subjectively" according to how controversial the influence is or "objectively" in relation to the electoral process itself. Objectivity is

I believe that the recognition of these principles would both uphold the proper freedom and independence of voluntary bodies (and others receiving "arm's length" government support), satisfy Parliament as to the proper and efficient use of the taxpayers' money, reinforce desirable partnership between central and local government and voluntary bodies and confusion - and resulting suspicion - over the definition of "political" activity.

evolution of social policy and to the Our free and plural society would processes of government if volun-tary organisations in receipt of public funds were forbidden from be healthier for thus dissipating the shadow of "Big Brother", while leaving the electoral process as the expressing their views on policy and administration as it effects their proper domain of the parties and the politicians. Yours etc. Political sussion by government

PETER JAY, Chairman, National Council for Voluntary Organizations, 26 Bedford Square, WC1.

From Mrs Margaret P. Kerry Sir, I was very pleased to read your report of, and leader on (April 12) the attack on citizens advice bureaux by Dr Gerald Vaughan.

has also long been recognized, e.g. the arts, university teaching and research, the BBC, the judiciary, royalty and certain international As one of many volunteer workers, I am training to be of use in a local CAB. I have been impressed by the thoroughness of the training, the devotion of the mainly unpaid workers and the high principles behind the organization.

Even more impressive has been the gratitude expressed to me by clients who have come to rely on the bureau for confidential and impar-

fied as political whereas others are It is obvious from our day book that our clients are from many walks of life and their problems are as diverse as their backgrounds. One is proud to be part of this most helpful, and, in our increasingly bureaucratic system, essential organization.

318 Ashgate Road, Chesterfield, Derbyshire. if a simpler, more objective test were

conserve the status quo.

sumers' Association Sir, The Housing and Building Control Bill, which is now on its way through Parliament, creates a right which enables the Secretary of State to pass on, to bodies which are not answerable to Parliament, his statutory power to give practical guidance on the general safety requirements of the building regu-

The bodies which could be given the power under the Bill to approve the guidance documents are likely to be private organisations and may in their turn approve a document issued by a third organisation. In addition, if a particular document proved in use to be unacceptable there is no procedure in the Bill for

forcing its withdrawal. Furthermore, the Bill gives the documents containing the guidance legal status. In a prosecution for a breach of the regulations, or in an action for negligence, a failure to have complied with a document will tend to establish liability, while compliance will tend to negative

It is true that British Standards, for example, have been used to indicate ways in which a builder or producer may comply with the building regulations, but final building regulations, but final approval of the use of the standard for this purpose has remained with the Secretary of State and the relevant standards have been incorporated in a formal statutory

instrument In addition, there have been consultations with all interested parties including consumer representatives. Maybe the new-style "approved documents" do not need to be laid before Parliament, but they ought to gain their status by being directly approved by the Secretary of State who is responsible

keep fresh the memory of the holocaust experience: and I can understand why that should be so. Nowhere is the doctrine of Herrenvolk preached with such disgusting and authentic clarity as it is in Israel by Rabbi Kahane: and I cannot understand why that should be so.

are heretical from the Christian point of view. The perfect unity of God Incarnate cannot be split into

Man can be English or Russian, or, in the somewhat racial view of the author of your leading article, Caucasian, Semitic, etc. The human nature of Jesus Christ cannot be isolated from his divine nature and nism. cannot be qualified as of one nation

OF TROE.

Yours faithfully, MARGARET P. KERRY,

himself that there has been adequate too. consultation with all interested

power of the Secretary of State's the dissussion of Sir John A. representatives - his officials - to influence decisions will be reduced and the way will be open for special, including private, interests to define criteria of public interest behind closed doors.

Of course, the British Standards Institution has its own procedures for public consultation, but other bodies may not have such a procedure. When the consultation is finished, a decision has to be taken on the public interest, particularly when there is disagreement on acceptable levels of safety. The decision should be taken by the Secretary of State.

We do not believe that the constitutional implications have been widely understood and discussed and the precedent the Bill could establish could have serious implications for safety legislation. Yours faithfully, RACHEL WATERHOUSE,

Chairman, Consumers' Association, 14 Buckingham Street, WC2.

Buying British

From Major E. D. Stroud Sir. Dishwashers, too, it seems are no longer made in Britain. Wishing to replace our aged Colston, my wife wrote to the Electricity Council enquiring about a British-made model. The Electricity Council replied: "We do not know of any dishwashers that are British made and recommended a foreign model. Yours faithfully. E. D. STROUD,

Lantern Cottage, 35 Upper Street, West Harnham, Salisbury, Wiltshire.

the drama of his life on earth as 'Jesus. He did not forget the prophets through whose mouth he spoke; those who would have killed him as a new-born baby, those who would listen to him entranced and obey him but soon afterwards would call for his blood; the man who betrayed him: the man who executed him.

God chose a particular time, place and circumstances yet was not their product in the person of Jesus From Mr Clive Farley Christ. This is the reason why contrary to your leading article -Jesus could not be considered as "the massive gift with which Jewry has endowed the Christian world".

As far as antisemitism is concerned, sufficient grounds for rejecting it lie in the rejection of any sort ignorance which disregards Jesus's command to love one's neighbour. Negative feelings towards certain actions of the state of Israel do not represent antisemi-tism but anti-Israelism, a parallel to which can be found in anti-America-

Yours faithfully, IVAN JELINEK

Health service distortions

From Professor John A. Davis and

Sir, There has been much rejoicing in the press over the Government's decision to keep open the Tadworth branch of the Great Ormond Street Hospital for Sick Children with the help of charitable moneys. We acknowledge the very high standards of care provided there for a relatively small number of chroni-cally ill children, but we question whether this is really the way to run a health service, bearing in mind the Government's expressed wish to delegate decision-making from the centre to the periphery.

Here in the Cambridge paediatric unit for various reasons we have both the highest bed occupancy and throughput in the country, even though these measures of workload are usually reciprocally related Shortage of nursing staff, unsuitable accommodation and lack of necessary equipment make it difficult to keep a high-class service going. We are therefore surprised and envious that large sums of money can be found to head off a prudential decision on the part of the Governors of Great Ormond Street to cut their coat according to the cloth available.

This is by no means the only case of which we are aware where political considerations have led to the overruling by central authorities of sensible decisions by health authorities to make the best use of the resources made available. It makes nonsense of the Government's professed desire for devolution in the administration of the NHS.

Yours faithfully, JOHN A. DAVIS,
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Stamp of neglect

From Sir John Biggs-Davison, MP for Epping Forest (Conservative)
Sir, I read in your columns today
(April 12) that the festival, "Britain
salutes New York", is to be held on
the anniversary of the treaty. severing the Americans, against the wishes of very many of them, from

the British Crown. Likewise, our Post Office cel-ebrated the bicentennial of the revolutionary republic with a special postal issue. It rejected my request r a special issue to honour the United Empire Loyalists who, 200. years ago, endured suffering and loss in moving to Canada or the Caribbean so as to stay beneath the British Crown and flag. It was my hope, and that of today's United Empire Loyalists, that a special to Parliament. He should assure stamp should be issued in Canada.

This putting of those who have. been against us before those who If the Bill is not amended, the have been for us is of a piece with Macdonald from naming the dominion the Kingdom of Canada lest Washington be offended. We should show a little loyalty and gratitude and stop crawling. I remain. Sir.

Your most obedient servant, JOHN BIGGS-DAVISON, House of Commons.

Public records

From Mr Anthony J. Camp Sir, The "entire answer" to Mrs. Elizabeth Stazicker (April 11) is for Lord Teviot's Bill to be amended to enable the copies of the 100-year-old records, presently in the hands of the local superintendent registrars, to be

passed to the county record offices. . It is an absurd omission: it would save the cost of purchasing micro-films and reduce by half the congestion in any central repository. Yours faithfully, ANTHONY J. CAMP, Director. Society of Genealogists, 37 Harrington Gardens, SW7.

Elgin Marbles

From Mr B. F. Cook

Sir, With reference to the letter you published on April 8 from Dr Mainstone, your readers may care to know that the British Museum has for some time been discussing this very matter with the official Greek Committee for the Preservation of the Acropolis Monuments. This followed their request for replicas to be made of several architectural members, including those mentioned, in connection with the restoration of the Erechtheion. Yours faithfully, B. F. COOK, Keeper,

Department of Greek and Roman Antiquities. The British Museum, WC1.

Stumped on the crease

April 8.

Sir, Clare Colvin's criticism, in her review of Charley's Aunt (April 7). that "surely an old soldier like Colonel Sir Francis Chesney would not wear a pair of flannels without a sharply ironed crease" is unjustified.

For formal wear in 1892 trousers would have remained uncreased. Creases did not appear in trousers until the late nineties with the advent of trouser-presses, and only into common currency in the Edwardian era. Yours faithfully. CLIVE FARLEY 19 Florence Road, Boscombe. Bournemouth, Dorset.

unnamed Foreign Staff's article on profit motive should try it for The choice is not a sample one April 7.

Desirable residence From Sir Donald Tebbiz Sir, It is diseppointing that your

diplomatic housing ("The Empire themselves diplomatic housing ("The Empire themselves stikes back for the good life" April Yours shorrely, 51 kes back for the good life" April Yours shorrely, 6) should have been tailored for the DONALD TERRIT, 35 Backingham Gate

between selling diplomatic palaces and making huge savings, on the one hand, and maintaining personal luxury at high cost, on the other. Many prestigious British diplomatic residences were acquired cheaply, either through timely purchase or through good will and generosity, sometimes outright gift, on the part of overseas governments. It is quite unrealistic to suppose that properties which were given to Britain, or put into British hands on favoured terms, would be permitted to be flogged for a fortune on the open

practice only he disposed of by returning them to local governments. The Brirish taxpayer would then have to cough up large sums to build inferior substitutes in the outer suborbs. The loss would not be in face and diplomatic effectiveness

market. In many cases they could in

alone but in bard cash. Your diplomatic staff's idea of the constituents of what they call "the good life" is equally strange. Most diplomats join the career because of the interest of the work itself and in the hope of rendering patrictic service. Those who think it a hunny for a diplomat and his wife to run a. small four-star hotel in their spare. time without the incentive of the

mann Gate, SW1.

some answer may be desirable.

Jonchée - strewn flowers, etc would, to a rebus-maker, be

means belief. The French have gallantly at-

porter à faux, "to be inconclusive" may be the most appropriate

> There is a glaring paradox in Israel today that prompts the question. Nowhere in the world is greater effort made than in Israel to place, and circumstances to enact East Sheen, SW14,



COURT AND SOCIAL

His Royal Highness, who trav-elled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight, was attended by Lieutenant Commander Sir Richard Buckley, RN.

THATCHED HOUSE LODGE

Howard, Yorkshire, on July 2.

The Duke of Gloucester, Patron, th

memorial garden at Kensington Town Hall, London, on May 4.

The Duke of Gloucester will open

Wednesday May 18 1983.

Birthdays today

Mr Jeffrey Archer, 43; Sir Adrian Cadbury, 54; Miss Claudia Cardi-nale, 45; Lord Grey of Naunton, 73

mouth in September, in succession to Vice-Admiral A. S. Tipper.

Mr Andrew Wood, aged 39 formerly Chief Press Officer at the

Home Office, to be head of Information Services (London) of

the Northern Ireland Office.

shire, on July 3.

morning.

April 14: The Duke and Duchess of

COURT CIRCULAR

WINDSOR CASTLE April 14: The Queen, Sovereign of the Order, accompanied by The Duke of Edinburgh, was present this morning at a Service of the Royal Victorian Order held in St George's

Kent and Princess Alexandra were represented by the Hon Angus Ogilvy at the Requiem Mass for King Umberto of Italy which was held in Westminster Cathedral this Chapel, Windsor Castle.
Queen Elizabeth The Queen
Mother, Grand Master of the Order. The Princess Margaret, Countess o Snowdon, Princess Alice Duchess of Gloucester, The Duke of Gloucester, The Duke and Duchess of Kent, Princess Alexandra, the Hon Mrs Angus Ogilvy, the Duke of Beaufort and Colonel Sir Henry Abel Smith The Queen will carry out engage-ments in Glasgow on July 1. The Duke of Edinburgh will carry out engagements in Ottowa, Can-ada, from June 30 to July 5.

were also present.

Her Majesty and His Royal Princess Anne, President of the Save the Children Fund, will be present at the Save the Children Fund Princess Anne awards ceromony and branches rally at Castle Highness were received upon arrival by the Dean of Windsor and the Chaplain of the Order (Reverend Canon Edwyn Young).
The Service was conducted by the Princess Anne will attend the Master of the Farriers' Company's reception at Luton Hoo, Bedford-

The Service was conducted by the Chaplain.
Detachments of Her Majesty's Body Guard of the Honourable Corps of Gentlemen-at-Arms and The Queen's Bodyguard of the Yeoman of the Guard and the Military Knights of Windsor were on duty in St George's Chapel.
The Hon Mary Murrison Sir The Hon Mary Morrison, Sir William Heseltine and Smudon Leader Adam Wise were in

Afterwards The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh gave a Reception at Windsor Castle for those who attended the Service.

KENSINGTON PALACE April 14: The Prince of Wales was represented by the Marquess of Lothian at the Requiem Mass for King Umberto of Italy which was held in Westminster Cathedral this roorning.

CLARENCE HOUSE April 14: Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother was represented by Prince Michael of Kent at the Requiem for King Umberto of Italy which was held in Westminster Cathedral this morning.

YORK HOUSE, ST JAMES'S PALACE April 14: The Duke of Kent this afternoon visited the Wellcome Foundation Limited and the Dartford Branch of the Young Men's Christian Association and later, as Patron of the Kent Opera, Mr John Grigg, 59; Mr Nevilk Marriner, 59; Sir Peter Menzies, 71 Mr Maurice Shock, 57; Colonel H E. Shortt, 96; Sir Leslie Smith, 64 Mr C. O. Stanley, 84; Dame Susar Walker, 77; Sir Douglas Wass, 60. attended a performance of Don Giovanni at The Orchard, Dartford.

Latest appointments

Latest appointments include: General James Datton (USAF), director of the Joint Staff at the Pentagon and a former military advisor to the US-Soviet strategic arms limitation talks, to be Chief of Staff at the Supreme Headquarters
Allied Powers Europe, in succession
to General M. F. Reynolds to
be Assistant Director, Plans and Policy Division, International Mili-tary Staff, Nato Headquarters,

Brussels, from July 1.

DESCRIVE WITE:

ALT M. J. Hulse, Lieutenant-General Sir M. J. Hulse, Lieutenant-General Sir Maurice Johnston, Mr. J. H. Bioliote, Air Vice-Marshal J. M. D. Button, Major-General A. W. Dennis, Sripadier B. Marciandi, Mr. R. H. Vernall, Mr. Carl B. Townsond, Mr. Mr. Kevin McNamara, Mr. Mr. D. Romer, Mr. J. L. Wild. Mr. R. P. Craine and Mr. J. Ree.

Diplomatic and Commonwealth Writers Association of Britain

vas in the chair.

Lord's Taverners

Mr Raphael Djanogly was host at a luncheon in honour of Mr Denis

Hotel, London, yesterday. Those

Drescrit were her former for David Evats, Mr David Basnoty, Cardata and Mrs Anthensy Swalason, Miss Caroline Everiences, the Bar Silmon Hass, Mr W Edrich, Mr John Coldstreen, Miss Ania Harris, Mr Peter human, Miss Lis Fraser, Mr Michael Mutray, Mr Edward Chine and Miss Jame Rosers/Coldmen.

Service dinners

Requiem Mass

King Umberto Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother

was represented by Prince Michael of Kent and the Prince of Wales by

the Marquess of Lothian at a solemn Requiem Mass in memory of King Umberto celebrated in Westminster Cathedral yesterday.

The Duke and Duchess of Kent and

Princess Alexandra were represented by the Hon Angus Ogilvy.

The Apostolic Pro-Nuncio was the principal concelebrant and also gave an address the Italian Government was represented by the Italian Consul-General. Among others

Prince and Princess Vinorio Emanuele di Savoja, Princess Maria Cabriella and other recrubers of the family Anabasedors and other members of the Paplematic Covys. Maryard Dachess of Argyl, the Marchised. Viscount and Viscountees Hambledon. Viscountees of Viscountees Hambledon. Viscountees of Monchine Brenchey with Prince Rupert of Covys. Mr. Service Mr. Oralshyle. Mr. Perspine Bertie, Sr. Peter Hop. Mr. John Perspine Bertie, Sr. Peter Hop. Mr. John George, Mr. Despuis Pahrson Dakheep, Mr.

The following to be recorders who have been assigned to the Northern Circuit Mr Charles Bloom, Mr Robert Brown, Mr P. C. Clegg, Mr G. A. Ensor, Mr R. H. Q. Henriques, Mr T. D. T. Hodson, Mr B. C. Maddocks, Mr D. A. Poole, Rear-Admiral J. C. Warson, aged Mr H. J. Byrt, QC, to be a circuit 55, Port Admiral Rosyth, to be Flag judge, assigned to the South-eastern Officer and Port Admiral Ports-Circuit. Ministry of Defence
Mr Peter Blaker, Minister of State for the Armed Forces, was host yesterday at a functional given by Her Majesty's Government at Admiralty House in honour of Mr C. L. B. Rogers. Deputy Prime Minister of Belize, and Minister of Defence and Home Affairs. Also present were:

RAF Strike Command
Air Marshal Sir Charles Ness, Air Member for Personnel, was the principal guest at a guest night held at Headquarters Strike Command yesterday. Air Chief Marshal Sir Admiralty House in honour of Mr C. L. B. Rogers. Deputy Prime Minister of Belize, and Minister of Defence and Home Affairs. Also present were:

Dinners

Speaker The Speaker gave a dinner in Speaker's House yesterday in honour of Mr Bakary Darbo, MP, Vice-President of The Gambia. The High Commissioner for The Gambia was present. Other guests

Mr Douglas Muggeridge was the guest of honour at a lucheon given WEIC:
Mr William Whitelaw, CH, MP, Sir Neil
Marian, MP, Sir Bernard Braine, MP, Mr
Christopher Brocklessna-Fowler, MP, Mr
Alestair Goodland, MP, Mr Michael Welsta
MP, Lord Avabury, Mrs Louise N'Jie, MF,
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Beleson, Group Captin, Robert Thornson
and Mr W, A, Beagmont. yesterday by the Diplomatic and Commonwealth Writers Association of Britain at the Royal National Hotel. Mr David Adamson, president of the association,

Uphoiders' Company Imperial Society of Knights Bach- The upholders' Company held their elor annual installation dinner at Sir Austin Bide was host at a Goldsmiths' Hall yesterday. Mr Gordon A. Day was elected Master, Mr Jack H. Ayerst Senior Warden and Mr Sydney A. G. Rust Junior Warden. At a dinner held later the speakers were Mr D. D. Mitchell and Mr T. M. Thomas. cior at Clarges House. The luncheon was prededed by a council meeting at which those present were: ans which those present were:

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South Africa Club.

The Carmen's Company enter-tained the Colonels Commandant, Royal Corps of Transport, the Director-General of Transport and Movements (Army) and other military and civilizing guests at a court dinner at Stationers' Hall last night. The company's sword of honour was presented to Second Lieutenant M. R. Little, RCT. The Master, Mr C. A. Hart, presided, Master, Mr C. A. Hart, presided, and Master when the other spreakers were Mr Bernard Weathe-Royal Regiment of Artillery
The Royal Regiment of Artillery
held a farewell parade at Woolwich
yesterday for the Master Gumer.
General Sir Harry Tuzo, who will
relinquish the office on May 1. In
the evening he was dined out by
officers of the regiment in the Royal
Artillery Mess.

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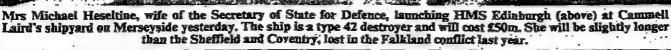
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Gardens Kew Gardens £215.211 Gilbey, Mr John Gilbert, of Newbury £259,822 Raphael, Major Cyril Ernest, of Mayfair Faicon, Mr George, of Golders

Green, London, company director £238,479 The Duchess of Gloucester will visit New York between May 8 and 12.
She will attend events in connexion with "Britain Salutes New York. 1983" and will be present at the Victorian Society scholarship fund





Forthcoming marriages

Mr D. J. Benallick Denstone expedition to Inaccessible island, will attend a reception at the Royal Geographical Society, Kensington Gure, London, on May 3. and Miss K. E. Duncan
The engagement is announced
between David, younger son of Mr
and Mrs Benzilick, of Llangvaide, The Duke of Gloucester. Parron, the Powys, and Kirsty, only daughter of Kensington Society, will unveil a Mr and Mrs J. S. R. Duncan of commemorative tablet to Princess Alice Countess of Athlone in a

Mr P. R. Betteridee and Miss A. C. Swain

The engagement is announced between Paul, only son of Mr & Mrs the Building Conservation Trust's Care of Buildings Exhibition at Hampton Court Palace, on May 5. J. Betteridge, of Cheam, Surrey, and Annabel, only daughter of Mr & Mrs Wm. G. Swain, of Morden, A service of thanksgiving for the life of the Earl of Ancaster will be held in Lincoln Cathedral tomorrow, April 16 at 11am, A memorial tribute to Sir Clifford Curzon will take place at the Church of St. Sepulchre without Newgate, Holborn Visduct, EC1, at 11am on Wednesday May 18 1983.

Mr M. P. L. Burgia and Miss N. J. Rumble

The engagement is announced Mr and Mrs Patrick Burgin, of Holly Lodge, Harpenden, Hertford-shire, and Nicola Jane, daughter of Capasin and Mrs John Rumble, of 83 Wroughton Road, London, SWII, and Keyhaven, Hampshire.

Mr J. R. A. Coeles and Miss M. Borden
The engagement is announced between Robert, elder son of Mr and Mrs Robin Coales, of Coleshill,

Buckinghamshire, and Margaret, claughter of Mrs. J. Borden and the late Mr J. Borden, of Allenhurst,

Mr P. L. Crosthwalt and Miss M.-T. L. Forte

The engagement is announced between Peter, only son of Mr and Mrs J. L. Crosthwait, of Cheltenham, Gloucestershire, and Maria-Teresa, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs A. V. Forte, of Hove, Sussex.

Mr M. D. A. Thomas and Miss L. J. Hurt The engagement is announced between Michel, son of Dr and Mrs F. Thomas, of Ghent, Belgium, and Jane, daughter of the late Mr. A. H. Hurt and Mrs Hurt, of Charlotte,

Grain and Feed Trade Association The annual dinner of the Grain and Feed Trade Association was held at Grosvenor House vesterday. The principal guest was Mr Justice Lloyd and the other speakers were Mr W. S. Biggs, president, Mr R. E. R. Tyrrell and Dr Klaus Werner.

Inns of Court Society in California The Lord Chief Justice was the principal guest at the first dinner of the inns of Court Society in California held in Middle Temple Hall yesterday. Mr Keith Evans, chairman, presided and among those also present were:

The Vior-Chanceller, the President of the

Bowyers' Company
The Bowyers' Company held a
ladies night dinner yesterday at
Fishmongers' Hall. Those present

Arab-British Chamber of Com-

The Arab-British Chamber of Commerce gave a dinner at the Hotel Intercontinental yesterday after a meeting of its board of South Africa Club.

The South African Ambassador by Sir Richard Beaumont, Chairpresided at a dinner given given last man of the board, and Mr Abdul
i night by the South Africa Club at Karim Al-Mudaris, secretary-genthe Savoy Hotel at which the guest of honour was Lord Chalfont.

Among those present were Sir guest of honour and principal Antony and Lady Acland, Sir John and Lady Leahy, Lord Vaizey and Richard Beaumont also spoke.

Major Sir Patrick Wall.

Karim Al-Mudaris, secretary-general and chief executive of the chamber. Lord Carrington was the guest of honour and principal and Sir and Lady Leahy, Lord Vaizey and Richard Beaumont also spoke.

Among the guests were ambassadors Among the goests were ambassadors of Arab countries, senior officials of HM Government Members of

and the other speakers were Major-General P. H. Benson, Major-Gen-eral G. H. W. Howlett and Mr Peter Osborne. The guests Lieutenant-Colonel S. F. Haste, RCT.

Mr K. K. Jones' and Miss P. A. Watt

The engagement is announced between Kevin Kimberley, only son of Mr and Mrs Albert H. Jones, of Meols, Wirral, and Priscilla Anne, daughter of Dr and Mrs James Wait, formerly of Meols, Wirral, now of Aberdeenshire.

Lientenant J. C. Lee, RN.

The engagement is announced between Jonathan, son of Mr Reginald Lee, JP, and Mrs Lee, of Sandhurst, Kent, and Elizabeth, daughter of Mr and Mrs Alan Elliott, of Felin Crai, Brecon.

Mr S. Rhodes and Miss S. Simon

and Miss S. Simon

The engagement is announced between Simon, elder son of the late Mr Denys Rhodes and the Hon Mrs Rhodes, of The Garden House, Windsor Great Park, and Susan, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs Eden Simon, of Tara Farm, Bindura, Zimbabwe. The marriage will take place in Zimbabwe on June 18th.

Mr O. J. Ribeiro and Mhs J. A. Pendleton The engagement is announced between Octavio, eldest son of Mr and Mrs Amaro N. Ribeiro, of Harare, Zimbabwe, and Julie, daughter of Mr and Mrs Joseph B. Pendleton, of Esher, Surrey.

Mr A. Rose and Miss M. Spira

The engagement is announced between Andrew, eldest son of Mr and Mrs Stephen Rose, of Writtle, Essex, and Melanic, elder daughter of Mrs Meriel Koren, of Lower Froyle, Hampshire, and Mr Peter Spira, of Kensington, London.

Mr I. H. A. Hazeel and Miss U. M. Stoner

The engagement is announced between ian Henry Alexander, elder son of the late Capatin and Mrs. Harry Hazeel, of Ormonde Gate, Chelsea, London, SW3, and Ursula Mary, second daughter of Mr and Mrs. Basel Stones of Chemical Mary. Mrs Paul Stonor, of Chownes Mead, Haywards Heath, Sussex.

The engagement is announced between Howard, son of Mr and Mrs V. A. Vagg. of Sherston. Wiltshire, and Claudia, daughter of Mr and Mrs P. Bock, of Blackminster, Evesham,

Mr D. C. Vigar
and Miss M. A. Barber
The engagement is announced
between David, son of the Rev Dr
C. H. and Mrs Vigar, of Eastbourne,
and Madeleine, daughter of the late
Mr. D. M. Barber and Mrs. P.
Hucker, of Redhill, Survey.

Mr K. R. B. Wallerstein and Miss N. Taweevatanasara

The engagement is announced between Konrad, elder son of Major and Mrs. F. C. Wallerstein, of Versailles, France, and Nongluck, daughter of Mr and Mrs. B. Taweevatanasarn, of Bangkok, Thilland Captain H. A. O. Wicks and Miss J. M. Smyth

The engagement is announced between Alastair Wicks, 14th/20th King's Hussars, son of the late Mr J. A. E. Wicks and Mrs Wicks, of Queen Alexandra's Court. Wimble don, and Joanna daughter of Major and Mrs R. H. Smyth, of Headley,

Marriages

Mr A. W. Jacomb-Hood and Miss F. E. Mitchell The marriage took place April 9 1983, at St Peter's church, Newdi

gate. Surrey, between Mr Anthony Wykeham Jacomb-Hood and Miss Frances Elizabeth Mitchell. Mr K. F. Unwin

and Miss J. P. P. Armold

The marriage took place on Saturday, April 9, at the Church of St Laurence, Hawkhurst, Kent, between Mr Kieron Unwin and Miss.J. F. P. Arnold.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Alison Stevenson, Margaret Roe, Jane King and Holly Barker. Mr Mark Ray was best man.

Mark Ray was best man. A reception was held at Bedgebu-

Sale room

Iron Duke's keen eye for French furniture

By Geraldine Norman, Sale Room Correspondent

A. Ward-Jackson, a London dealer. They have brilliantly chased ormolu mounts and fine bleu turquin marble tops, probably to match the room for which they were made.

Wellington had four similar ped-seven large black pearls, estals at Stratfield Saye and there are. The strength of the market has

estals at Stratfield Saye and there are six more in the Louvre.

An important pair of Louis XVI meubles d'appui featuring Boulle mounts, either taken from an old piece or imitated, made £59,400 (unpublished estimate about £30,000), in spite of poor condition.

The sale was filled with pieces from private collections not seen on the market in recent times but on the whole prices did not run beyond expectations. But only 7 per cent were left unsold and a total of £898,830 made.

From a large collection of earlier French furniture, another star lot six of the strength of the market has apparently spread to the country. Lawrence's of Crewkerne reported a silver sale of £101,948 and only 1 form of a heimet sold for £3,410 (unpublished estimate £1,000 to £200).

Small items of silver were also selling at Sotheby's in London. A collection of silver caddy spoons ranged from one of 1799 in the form of a jockey cap going for £220 (estimate £150 to £200) to one of £36 in the form of a stylized buttercup spray for £11

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University news

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By Geraldine Norman, Sale Room Correspondent

A set of four consoler deserter, or sidetables, by Weisweiler, which sold for £162,000 at Christie's by André Charles Boulle himself, yesterday, were among a group of Again, in spite of restoration a price furniture either given to his cousin by the Duke of Wellington or bought under the duke's guidance.

There were six lots sent for sale by Lord Trevor from Brinkynalt in North Wales. By family tradition they came to Brinkynalt as a gift from the Iroa Duke to Arthur Hill-Trevor, second Viscount Dungannon.

Fighting a war with France did not prevent the duke from kendy collecting French furniture as is another bidder secured a group of demonstrated by the surviving collection at Stratfield Saye, with a particular bias towards Boulle marquetry.

The convoles descentes were the side to select in whitework. The convoles descented were the say in white a convoles descented were the marquetry. The consoles dessertes were the most outstanding prices from Brinkynalt. reaching Christie's expectations on price and selling to A. Ward-Jackson, a London dealer They have brilliantly.

words jewels relying on the artistic interest of their mounts as opposed to their carat value, made £232.254 marble tops, probably to match the room for which they were made. They could have been destined for a royal appartment.

A pair of Louis XIV ebony and Boulle pedestals sold for £30,240 (estimated £20,000 to £30,000). They were sold from the collection for the Duke of York, second son of about 1860 with interfacing ribbons George III, in 1827. The Duke of Wellington had four similar pedseven large black pearls.

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The gold medal at the Royal Hornicultural Society's Show (report, March 30) was awarded to a joint exhibit by Brodick Castle Garden (National Trust for Scotland) and the Younger Botanic Garden, Benmore (Royal Botanic Garden Edinburgh). The university is to receive a grant of more than £500,000 from British Telecom over the next five years to fund telecommunications studies. It fund telecommunications studies. It will provide for two posts in the field of switching software and

OBITUARY

HIS HONOUR CHRISTMAS HUMPHREYS

Characterful impact on the Old Bailey

His Honour Christmas Humphreys, QC, who died at his home in London on April 13 at the age of 82, was one of the personalities of the bench who exhibited to the public by virtue of his being known both as a man of forensic antitudes and a Buddhist, not to speak of his eccentricities as a Shakespearean scholar, a character full of pleasing contrarieties.
As Senior Crown Prosecutor

for many years he had carned a reputation for presenting cases with force and skill, and his name is associated with both Timothy Evans and Ruth Ellis, both of whom he prosecuted and both of whom were executed. But on his elevation to the Bench he became known as the "gentle judge"; on one occasion his lenient sentencing caused a national furore, and in general his deportment might have surprised an observer of his previous performances for the prosecution.

Travers Christmas Humphreys was born in 1901. His father, Trayers Humphreys, was one of the very few men to reach the High Court Bench from a background confined to criminal work; he was highly successful, both as prosecuting counsel and as a Judge. His What is history for, pray? Why, to teach lessons about why things mother was a JP who in due course became the very formidable chairman of a surburban Bench,

Tacitus as

a paper

of record

By Philip Howard

words and evil deeds.

· Professor Luce produced interest-

ing citations to show that emperors like Tiberius, who looked down

larity, were concerned for their glory

in posterity. This is still a potent motive. Why did Richard Nixon not destroy those tell-tale Watergate tapes? John Erlichmann has recently

told us that it was because he was afraid that Henry Kissinger would run away with the judgment of history, especially in such matters as Nixon's triumphs in foreign policy.

Civil Gallantry

Awards

happened; to give pleasure: to slag the enemy; and for 101 other reasons, most of which are sometimes true. At the annual meeting of the Classical Association meeting of the Classical Association in Nottingham University yester-day, Professor Jim Lnce, of Princeton University, asked himself why Tacitus wrote history, and came up with several original and The family had the repu-tation of having minds limited to the single track of the criminal law, it was said that lively answers.

Tacitus himself gave a number of their frontiers lay between Ealing in the west and Archbold's Criminal Pleadings different explanations for his writing. In a famous passage in the in the east. So far as the parents Annals, he said that he wrote in were concerned the comment order that virtuous acts should not be passed by in silence, and also that the fear of infamy among posterity was not entirely unjustified, but the time came when the son's should act as a deterrent to evil interest and activities ranged equally far beyond Middlesex Of course, we do not have to take everything from that enigmatic and and beyond Archboid.

majestic master as the straightfor-ward truth. Professor Luce is unpersuaded by that account by Tacina that he wrote history as a kind of moral uplift. Humphreys (who was sometimes irreverently referred to "Xmas" but more often and more affectionately as "Toby") was educated at Malvern and at He thinks that Tacitus was in Trinity Hall, Cambridge, long business principally as a paper of record, for the long eye of history. History was the one thing that the the nursery of able embryonic lawyers. He was called to the Bar by the Inner Temple in despot could not control. He could 1924, and quickly built up a good criminal practice. His father's name and fame must make black white, if it suited him. He could burn books. He could be given a hero's triumph for having managed to murder his mother. But, if Tacitus had anything to do with it, history would get him in the end.
"To each man posterity gives his doom." have been of some help, but his own intellectual and forensic equipment were sufficient to doom."
Tacitus thought that he had a sacred mission to record the deeds of his sabre-toothed tyrants and ensure his success. His intelligence was cool and clear; he was lucid in exposition, cogent in argument, and penetrating in their hangers-on; and that belief explains his power, his energy, and the secret fury that sometimes cross-examination.

His judgment was sometimes ess than excellent; which meant that his actual performance did not always reach the very high level of his potential.

In 1934, follow father's footsteps, he became this position for more than fifty Junior Treasury Counsel at the year. Central Criminal Court and for the next quarter of a century his professional work consisted mainly of handling the Direc-tor's cases at the Old Bailey; during this long period he as Senior Prosecuting Counsel in 1950.

He led for the prosecution in large number of causes célèbres, of which probably the most famous and certainly the most unfortunate involved Timothy Evans, who was hanged in 1950 for the murder of his daughter; he was subse-quently pardoned, and is now widely believed to have been quite innocent. Humphreys was later criticized for putting the case against Evans too high but, so skilful and so wicked was the web in which Christie had enmeshed him, that it is unlikely that the result would have been different, even if and was firmly convinced that prosecuting counsel had been the Earl of Oxford was the extremely mild, and defending counsel extremely brilliant.

Andrzej Wajda wins Onassis prize

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Athens (Reuter) - Andrzej Wajda, the Polish film director, yesterday won the Alexanders Onassis Foundation's Athinai Prize which is

awarded annually for contributions to human rights and dignity. It is worth about £70,000. The Olympia Prize for cultural or scientific work was shared equally between Prince Sadruddin Aga Khan for his research into energy development and the environmental group Europa Nostra.

Meeting UN High Commissioner for

Refugees
Mr Pout Hartling United Nations Mr Pout Harting United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, addressed a meeting of the Parliamentary Panel on Refugees, the British Refugee Council and Friends of the Ockenden Venture at the House of Commons yesterday. Mr David Ennals, MP, was in the

Heralds of Arms

Mr Terence David McCarthy has Mr Terence David McCarthy has been appointed Bluemantle Pursuivant of Arms upon the promotion of Mr Peter Llewellyn Gwynn-Jones to be Lancaster Herald of Arms. Mr. Henry Edgar Passon-Bedingfeld has been appointed Rouge Cruix Pursuivant of Arms upon the promotion of Mr Thomas Woodcock to be Somerset Herald of Arms. Herald of Arms

CORRECTION

convicted and hanged in 1955.

the murder of her lover; she was the last woman to be executed in this country and the debate which followed played its part in the eventual abolition of

capital punishment.

Humphreys was elected a
Bencher of his Inn in 1955; four years later he became a QC and automatically relinquished his Treasury appointment. It was a little late in the day for him to make a new career in Silk, and it came as no surprise when in 1962 he was appointed a Commissioner at the Old Bailey. He became an Additional Judge in 1968, and retained that position until his retirement in 1976.

He had the ability and the experience to make a good Judge, and he was one - though the occasional lapses of jud-gment which had been observed at the Bar continued to manifest themselves from time to time, He never lacked judicial courage, and was never inhibited from doing what he believed to be right by the knowledge that it would be controversial or unpopular. The most spectacular example of this occurred in 1975, when he suspended a prison sentence on a youth of 18 who had pleaded guilty to two serious cases of rape.

He survived the resultant storm without difficulty. The Lord Chancellor was predictably unsympathetic to a Com-mons motion which called for the Judge's resignation or dismissal Indeed, Humphreys received strong support from authoritative quarters; the National Association of Probation Officers, for example, took the view that "he deserved some praise for preserving the important concept of individua-

lized sentencing".

While still a schoolboy Humphreys was converted to Buddhism, and this faith played a great and ever-growing part in his life. In 1924 he became the founding President of the London Buddhist Lodge (later

He was a prolific writer, and published more than twenty books most of which dealt with some aspect of his faith; one of them, called "Buddhism", sold more than 500,000 copies. He moved steadily up the ladder of also published several volumes seniority, reaching the top rung of verse (some of his war-poems of verse (some of his war-poems were touching in their sincerity and simplicity), and he com-piled a useful anthology of Poems I Remember. He pub-lished an autobiography, Both Sides of the Circle, in 1978, His interest in, and knowledge of eastern philosophy and art, was thorough; he was also a skilled

and enthusiastic gardener. One of the by-ways of scholarship which he explored with unorthodox assiduity related to Shakespeare; as President of the Shakespearean Authorship Society, he dismissed as equally invalid the pretensions of the Man of Stratford and of Francis Bacon. author of the plays and poems. In 1927 Humphreys married Another celebrated case was Aileen Irvine. They had no his prosecution of Ruth Ellis for children. His wife died in 1975.

GERRY HITCHENS

on April 13, and died at the age of 48. The manager of a local firm of builders merchants, he was playing for a solicitors XI against a council side.

Hitchens, a strong mobile centre forward with no little skill began his league career with Cardiff City and joined Aston Villa, where he had received three caps for England. when he became one of the first players to move to Italy at he beginning of the 1960s. He was He lear one of the few who made the children.

Aston Villa and England foot-baller, collapsed during a local match at Hope. North Wales, there.

He represented England in the 1962 World Cup in Chile, carning another four caps while with Inter-Milan. He went to Milan in 1961, playing under their famous coach, Helenio Herrera for 15 months before moving to Turin and finally to Bergamo. On his return to England he

had a short spell in the Southern League before gong into business in Wales. He leaves a widow and five

Officer Training School He did

public relations work and became a divisional commander. In 1973 he was appointed Territorial Commander, Caribbean and Cantal America Terribbean and Cantal

COMMISSIONER J. D. NEEDHAM

Commissioner John D. command of corps in the Needham, National ComSouthern states, served as a mander for The Salvation Army in the United States since 1982, then as a member of staff at the and before that British Commissioner, with responsibility for all Salvation Army evangeli-cal work in England, Wales and Ireland, died in Montclair, New Jersey, on April 13. He was 65.

Needham was born in Ilkes-ton, Derbyshire, on July 13, 1917, but moved with his parents, themselves both Salvation Army officers, to Baltimore at the age of seven. In October, 1935, he married Florence Jolly, who had already served for 18 months as an officer of the Army. Three years later he left Baltimore for the Salvation Army School

Officer Training in Atlanta.

He spent some years in

America Territory, and he spent four years there before returning to the United States as Ten torial Commander, USA Central Territory, based in Chicago. Needham came to London in

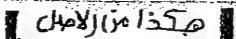
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1980 as British Commissiones, and became National Commander, USA, the highest Salvation Army office in that country, two years later.

He is survived by his wife, three sons and a daughter.

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ABOUT HE



A SPECIAL REPORT

VATRS

Demands for devolution no longer divide the nation. The overwhelming problem is unemployment and united efforts are being made to attract new industries and holiday visitors while retaining Welsh traditions

Politicians, praise be, are not Dinorwic hydro-electric power infallible. If they were then the scheme nears completion.

social order in Wales today. But not all is doom in the would have disintegrated before an unremitting wave of unemployment. Anarchy would stalk edge of Europe, are fighting the land and despair be turned into rebellion. This was the agencies such as the scenario painted three years ago Development Corporation for, by a parliamentary select Wales and Mid Wales Developcommittee primed by warnings ment, known until recently as that by this time 140,000 people the Development Board for could be on the dole in the Rural Wales, have been work-

principality.

Sadly, that figure has been passed and now 17.3 per cent or 178,077 people are upen ployed, but the Welsh have Avenue, Mid Wales Developement of stoically from the month hisoked the legal developed.

those communities have paid hard but the populist image of a

33 pits remaining in the area, and that action petered out. After July only one pit will through lack of support from remain in the Rhoudda valley the other British coalfields. whose seams fuelled the warships of the Empire,

face of the recession.

the hopes of unending pros-perity on the back of black gold

emerged stoically from the ment hijacked the legendary storm of savage de-industriali Orient Express and took it from zation to confound the pessi- King's Cross to the Harrogate Fashion Fair to convince the From Shotton in the North to moguls of high fashion that the Port Talbot in the South, designers of the area have long since shed their tawdry tap-leaves in an autumn storm and estry image. Mythology those communities have paid hard but the populist image of a the price for relying too heavily in the past on one major longer deserved. Even the miners, traditionally regarded as the backbone of Weish south Wales valleys, where the working class militancy, could reign of king coal has dimindered only by half of 1 per cent ished until there are now only to strike over a threatened pit a pit of the price o

Superficially, Wales appears The story, unfortunately is not confined to the old tra-ditional industries which have now been slimmed down in the face of the recession.

To be just another integrated region of Britain and many a retired couple from England live out their lives in Colwyn Bay of Prestatyn without ever understanding the nature or the The towns of Milford Haven culture of their adopted land, and Pembroke Dock in Dyfed They never see that away from are ringed by oil refineries but the coastal caravan and candy. floss plain, just a few miles into the hills, the rural Welsh



Rhymney Valley, Gwent; the old industries have had their day, but new ones take their place

For the once mighty indus-

trial valleys, where huge per-

sonal fortunes were made out of

worst housing in Britain. Within sight of these mean, sub-

palaces of the masters still stand

estimates 40 out of every 100

face of the world recession.

repression, discriminatory acts of Parliament and vilification from within to persist against the odds. But the greatest chailenge has come from the case with which Anglo-Ameri-can pop culture is beamed into the home. Chapels have become bingo halls and the faithful of the Welsh non-conformist tradition are now mostly elderly.

Just when it appeared that the language was to be engulfed the Welsh speakers mounted a tremendous rearguard action and now the language enjoys a status that minorities in other countries, such as Bretons, canonly envy.

While clinging stubbornly to cultural differences, politically the Welsh are firmly entrenched in the mainstream of British politics. Although urged to do so by everyone with the exception of the Conservative have been dashed against an live a different life shrouded in Party, the nation resoundingly unemployment rate of 30 per the secrecy of an old culture and cent. And in Gwynedd, strong-language. The language, spoken by traditions, jobs have disappeared as the hugely impressive eleventh hour. It has withstood. Nationalist Party, who manage

to return only two highly able help it to regain the losses it per cent of Welsh schoolchild- Development has pioneered members to Parliament. suffered last time. ren leave after 11 years of full small factories providing 6,000 suffered last time.
The Liberal-SDP Alliance,

Partly to meet this challenge the nationalists decided to campaign from a socialist platform but its first test under this banner did not improve its fortunes when its candidate was badly beaten at the Gower by-

More recently its campaign urging people to withold pay-ment of water rates because they pay more than consumers in England has received broader support and the issue is now to be tested in the High Court.

But it appears likely that the party will continue to remain as no more than a peripheral threat to the big battalion who at the next election will be contesting 38 seats, two more than last time.

In spite of the furious ideological battles that have beset the party in England, the Labour Party in Wales continues to project a caring almost old-fashioned image and

ren leave after 11 years of full time education without a single which came second in Gower, will point to the legacy left by successsive local Labour administrations when it takes to the

above 30 per cent. Superficially, these factors iron and coal, have some of the might deter potential industrialists, but those who have made their home in Wales are standard homes, the opulent generally delighted by the palaces of the masters still stand willingness and adaptability of as a monument to incredible the workforce. And communiinsensitivity. According to some cations are generally much better than is supposed for most homes in the valleys are unfit to companies.

per cent of Welsh homes sub-standard, compared with a motorway, while in the North figure of 9.6 in England. But the the A55 is being developed into little two-up, two-down houses a high density artery. Com-are the legacy of every govern- munications, between North are the legacy of every govern- munications. ment. It is just cruel that in a and South Wales remain more enlightened age the wealth unimpressive but then most which caused them to be built traffic flows eastwards into so hastily has dissipated in the England.

In the vast, pleasant and at the next election it will be There are problems too in underpopulated tract of the hoping that this solid front can education where a worrying 25 central region, Mid Wales

job opportunities and is coningly, in some industrial areas decision by the Government to of the south where the old abolish assisted area status for miners' libraries no longer the greater part of its area. effective social development programme which has im-proved the quality of life in a

host of ways ranging from assistance with the building of new community halls to the grant aid for improved television reception. Inexorably entwined with its great neighbour, the Welsh steadfastly refuse to be completely assimilated. The Weish are stereotyped by rugby and song, but find nothing amusing or derogatory in these associ-ations. The love of both are deeply ingrained into the character. The similarities with

differences are as immovable as the mighty castles built to subdue them. Tim Ionac Tim Jones Weish Correspondent

their English friends abound.

but under the surface the

ECONOMY

Ready

tely by the economic gales which stripped the country of jobs after the boom years of the Sixties, is emerging bruised but fitter to take advantage of the industrial upturn forecast by the

The recession had a dramatic effect on the Principality, and in the steel towns of Shotton, Port Talbot and Newport the consequences were particularly shat-tering. More than most, those communities suffered from having their industrial eggs in one basket and as the steel plants shrank in capacity, jobs

were lost in supply industries.

In the nine years to 1982,
Wales lost 38,000 jobs in steel, and Mr Ian MacGregor, pre-viously head of British Steel-and now appointed chairman of the National Coal Board, recently told the Parliamentary, Select Committee on Welsh, Affairs that more redundancies

could be on the way.

Abortive industrial action;
coupled with threats of mobilize ing the trade union triple alliance of steel, coal and rail, failed to halt the cuts and left. the bitter nocusation that Wales had been treated more barshly; than the rest of Britain.

Although the human cost has been high, with Wales now suffering from an unpre-cedented unemployment rate of 180,000, the strategy seems to have been vindicated in strict

business terms. For since the cuts in jobs. particularly in the last few years, productivity at the steel plant has increased dramatically. Llanwern, for instance, has recently broken through the four man-hours per tonne barrier, bringing it to 3.8 hours, and the plant has been breaking output records.

There remains, however, the possibility that long-term prospects for steel sales are gloomy. Some claim that the present slight upturn is merely a temporary quirk caused by companies trying to beat price increases or building up stocks slightly after a long period of run-down.

Largely because of the political muscle of the miners, the coal industry has thus far escaped the kind of slimming operation to which steel has been subjected.

However, the failure, bitterly resented, of the other coalfields to back them over their abortive fight to save the Tymawr-Lewis Merthyr colliery, coupled with continued on next page

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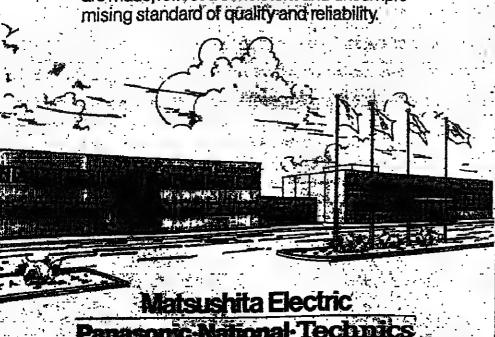
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INDUSTRY

Aid package brings in new firms

The way Wales goes about track record in attracting new attracting new industries is companies although the scale of getting a big facelift. One change job creation has been swamped has been the formation of by redundancies in older indus-WINVEST - Wales Investment tries such as steel. Location - to take over from

responsibility for the allocation of advance factories and the availability of selective govern-ment cash aid to industry. allo-

(WDA) and financial assistance County Council, and will make to the Welsh Office Industry photomasks - a product used in

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effort."

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Throughout the recession Wales has maintained a good

The successes continue. A the 25-year-old Development Finnish company has recently announced it is building a num the 25-year-old Development Printish company has recently announced it is building a pulp This new organization has a announced it is building a pulp and newsprint mill on Decside, core of Development Corporation experts who have been in the forefront of bringing foreign expected to be created in backcompanies to Wales, but it has up industries such as timber more muscle. It has been given and haulage.

At Bridgend, in South Wales.

and haulage.
At Bridgend, in South Wales, the American-owned Align-Rite Corporation is the latest hightechnology company to select Wales. It will be the first on a Previously, factory allo- Wales. It will be the first on a cations had to be referred to the new industrial park being Welsh Development Agency developed by Mid Glamorgan (WDA) and financial assistance County Council, and will make manufacturing microchips.
Mid Wales Development, the

promotional name adopted by retary of State for Wales, in the Development Board for announcing that WINVEST Rural Wales, attracts a steady would start on April 1, said: stream of new businesses to its "The aim is to provide a one advance factories. Recently, stop shop for the prospective these have included a computer overseas investor and a sharper company at Aberystwyth, an

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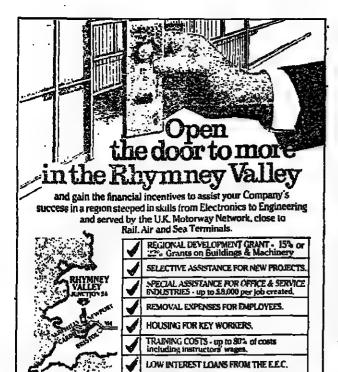
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POLITICS

The voters won't be taken for granted

despite the short, sharp shock their own view of it. they were given in the referlected bodies.

Not surprisingly, the Labour And while it opposed the Party in Wales is at best wary of setting up bodies like the Welsh Development Agency, past when the idea of Welsh work. politics seemed to be significant in a United Kingdom context.

stage; to have a government given increased power by each spending two legislative years successive government since the trying to establish Welsh and first Secretary of State took other places. It is impossible to Scottish assemblies. It was office less than 20 years ago.

Scottish assemblies. It was office less than 20 years ago.

escape the conclusion that pertainly exciting for the It seems to be institutional Gwynfor Evans won Carmar-cationalists as chief whips came recomentum as much as deliber- then for Plaid Cymru in 1974

have demonstrated that, far main beneficiaries. from being a special case, politics in Wales were becoming more and more like those in England. That was shown, it was argued, by the fact that support for the Conservatives went up to a remarkable 32.2 per cent, Labour's share of the poll was down at 46.9 per cent and Plaid Cymru managed only ust over 8 per cent.

That was perhaps a rather simplistic way of looking at the results, and it is equally possible to argue that politics in Wales have become more, rather than less, distinctive; to say that it was devolution, in fact, which forced the Conservative Party in particular to adopt a much learer attitude towards Wales. Whereas the Conservatives

had insisted for many years that the future of Wales was inextricably bound up with that of the rest of the United Kingdom, they had, when Labour was making the running

There are recidivists in politics on devolution, to define their as there are in crime and, artifudes to Wales and to assert

It was, after all, a Conservaendum four years ago, some old tive government which establags have still not given up the lished the Commons Select idea of devolution for Wales. Committee on Welsh Affairs They certainly persist within the which, while it was not intended SDP, and the Labour Party too as an answer to the devolution continue to argue the case - in proposals, at least helped to both cases now for the whole of legitimise the idea that there Britain - as a way of ensuring were distinctive Weish prob-the public accountability of lems which demanded a separate analysis.

And while it opposed the idea

about continuing to back an Welsh Development Agency, idea which has been emphatithe present Government has in cally demonstrated to be a loser. fact been extremely solicitous, But perhaps in Wales people are since taking office, to see that yearning for a time not so long such organizations actually

So Welsh politics exist to some extent because the organi-After all, it was exciting to be zations exist - most notably the at the centre of the political Welsh Office, which has been

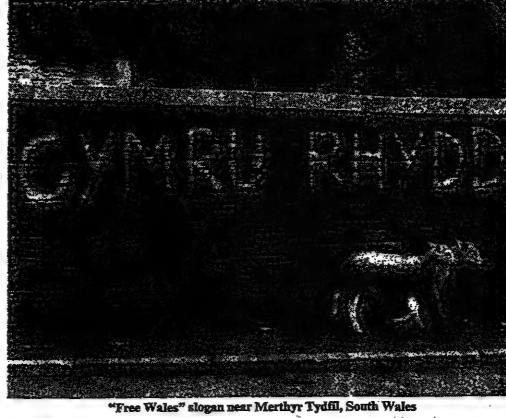
calling on their MPs, asking ate political policy which has because after their health and their brought about more Welsh-Labour brought about more Weish- Labour voters wanted Labour But the election which followed the devolution reference in 1979 is supposed to the Conservatives have been the Conservative supporters de-

At the 1966 general election, ticket. Labour won 32 of the 36 Weish It would, though, be dan seats. The Conservatives took ous to underestimate three and the Liberals one. By strength of the Labour Party in 1979 Labour were hanging on to Wales, which is essentially 21 seats, the Conservatives had cautious, respectable and tra-11. Plaid Cymru two and the ditionalist: last year, for in-Liberals one. (The odd one out stance, its annual conference is Cardiff West, represented by voted for the expulsion of the Speaker, who was once a Militant. The party also retains Labour MP.)

Welsh politics than a simple Wales in which councils are analysis which suggests the politicized, and its hold on decline of Labour, the rise of the traditional loyalties was demon-Conservatives (and, just possibly one day, the SDP) with last September.

Plaid Cymru doodling around at somewhere under 10 per cent of the poil and the Liberals, as to 7,000; but the Conservatives full had to community and the conservatives. ever, failing to represent in seats fell back too, coming third after their share of support.

voters have shown that they are class areas of the constituency, capable of great volatility. But what was most impressive Tactical voting was evident in about a rather dull campaign Wales long before it became was Labour's ability to retain its fashionable in Bermondsey and solid core of support.



Conservative and Conservative supporters decided to vote the anti-Labour

It would, though, be danger-ous to underestimate the abour MP.) its overwhelming control of But there is a lot more to local government in the areas of

competing for votes with the In individual constituencies SDP particularly in the middle-

Not many years ago the general election and further excitement about that by-election would probably have been available soon. created by Plaid Cymru, who mounted some staggering assaults on Labour majorities in combine issue politics with a

traditional party approach. There is no doubt that it was colour, energy and goodwill in damaged by the devolution their politics. episode; throwing out the idea

language television channel backed by a programme of civil . presence in the next Parliament. disobedience can be counted a success for Plaid Cymru.

water Authority.

The last genuine test of majority of only 2,000 over Welsh political attitudes – the Gower by-election – and Majority of only 2,000 over Gower by-election - put Plaid Cymry a bad fourth. The party desperately needs a much better performance before the next Correspondent

Two of Wale's leading politicians - Michael Roberts, the Conservative MP for Cardiff the 1960s. But now Plaid North-West, and Alec Jones, Cymru seems rather to have the Labour member for Rhondlost its way as it tries to da, recently died suddenly within a few weeks of each other - sadly for those who like

The Cardiff seat, of an assembly by a huge generally felt, is naturally Tory, majority is a pretty dusty even if with only a 6,200 answer to a party whose aim is self-government for Wales.

The campaign for a Welsh will have to win if it is to language television channel provide a really significant

Rhondda represents everything that industrial Welsh seats But an attempt to create the have always been said to be. A same kind of pressure over what Labour majority of 31,000 English authorities pay for testifies to the fierce loyalty the Welsh water failed to make the party commands there. A same impact despite the fact political mountaineer will need that those with no nationalist his oxygen bottles to climb over sympathies whatsoever are that lot. But even there the liable to turn purple when they voters refuse to be taken for open their bills from the Welsh granted. When Jones was first

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Aid brings in the new firms

club-maker at Newtown

Inquiries for WDA factories are up about 15 per cent over the 1981-82 year, and allocations have increased by about 10 per cent. And the Welsh Office Industry Department offered £23.3m aid to 159 companies in the first 11 months of the last (1982-83) financial year, compared with £18.8m of selective aid to 138 projects during the whole of the

previous year.

The formation of WINVEST shows that Wales is not resting on its laurels, and the WDA continues to look for fresh ways of making the region more attractive: hence its new-style advance factories which are more attractive and energysaving and have greater flexi-bility. The first factories are being constructed at the Dafen

industrial estate, Lianeili.

Mr John Pavitt, the WDA's technical development director, said: "What is happening today is that industrial and officeworking conditions are gradually moving closer together. More and more industries want a pleasing environment to attract good staff and impress customers." The factories were designed after a survey of what industry wanted.

The setting up of the WDA's enture capital subsidiary, venture Hafren Investment Finance, was another initiative to bring jobs to fill the Agency's

factories It also forms part of the shift of emphasis away from factory building. The agency completed about 200 units last year, but this was about half the previous

Hafren was launched in the summer of 1982, and has received more than 1,000 inquiries for aid. It will back businesses - especially with a high technology content in its products - with amounts from £10,000 to £100,000 in packages which can include shares and

In less than a year it has invested more than £600,000 in about 15 companies, most of them coming from Wales. These include a business making satellite-television equip-ment and another in North Wales offering specialist diving SCTVICES.

The agency has also ploughed £2.5m into Wales's first business centre for advanced technology - on the Deeside. Industrial Park at Shotton. This will enable small businesses to

work with research scientists.
The Development Board for Rural Wales adopted the Mid Wales Development title for its promotional work when it was given powers to offer grants to

According to Mr Leslie Morgan, the chairman: "when many of Britain's rural areas lost their assisted status in Wales did not. It has the board and a new grant.

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Wales is the breeding ground Enterprise Trust, is a storehouse guidance to companies thinking of moving into or expanding in Clwyd.

Mr Peter Summers, managing director, said that it will help anybody with a workable idea. It might be that a company is looking for a factory or grants or a workforce - or just a sympathetic bank man-ager. The trust is backed by various organizations, including local industries, trade unions. banks and local authorities.

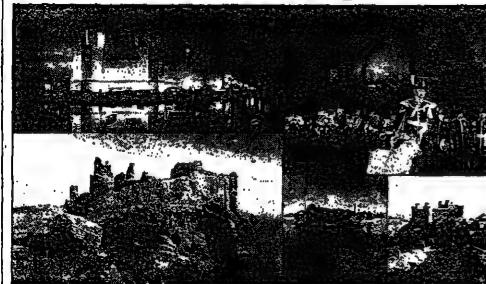
At the other end of Wales, the Neath Development Partnership has been instrumental in bringing workshop units to the area and devising schemes to boost tourism. The partnership grew out of an initiative by the Confederation of British Industry to help areas badly hit by the

In another move, the Wales Trades Union Congress is setting up an advice centre with government, European Com-mission and WDA cash to encourage workers to form cooperative businesses.

European Commission money, including more than £150m from the Regional Development Fund, has helped improve the region's infrastructure. Now, there are high hopes that the region could capture the 5,000-job Nissan car plant. Three sites, at Cardiff, Newport and Shotton, are in the running.

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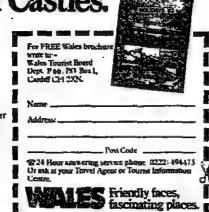
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County Council for deciding not to increase its rates this year. In a statement, the Confederation of British Industry said that on behalf of Clwyd employers it was pleased to offer appreciation and thanks to a County

authority. Mr Lewis Davies, CBI Wales's North Wales chairman, said: "Credit should be given where it is due and I am delighted that Holywell,

the guts to acknowledge that immunise itself from the recession through rate

"Their votes will directly assist local companies to be competitive, help safeguard jobs and set an example which I trust other counties will try to copy.

Mr Davies is site general manager of the Rayon manufacturers Courtaulds, in

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Talk to Wayne Morgan, County Industrial Officer, Clwyd County Council, Shire Hall, Mold, Clwyd. Tel: Mold (0352) 2121. Telex 61454.

All ready for the upturn

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In North Wales the quarrying Steel Industry has been working Wales Co-operative Development of Mr MacGregor, has left the South Wales

In North Wales the quarrying Steel Industry has been working Wales Co-operative Development of state has long ceased to be a closely with the Welsh Development ment and Training Scheme, which will aim at the creation of miners unusually apprehensive In the current financial year

the South Wales coalfield will by far the most unprofitable n Britain. Of the 33 pits in the alleys, I I are losing more than £50 a toune. Losses on this scale easily swallow up the profits made by the 11 pits which turn in a good financial perform-

Local miners' leaders constantly claim that the Coal Board has a hit list of up to 12 pits it would like to close. While this is routinely denied by the Roard, it seems likely there will e moves to close another two pits over the next 12 months.

of the area has been startling. The slimdown of the steel

ប្រទិវិធី and retraction dependent industries has alerted industrialists to availability of a highly skilled workforce. Statistics prove categorically that their reputation for being strike happy just is not

Japanese companies have found that the workers adapt readily to new management styles and produce work of high quality. At Shotton, British

and the industry now employs industry and there are new only some 400 people. But old companies established on the Principality, involving 13,000 job commitments.

More good news from the Principality came last month from Mr Meiron Lewis, chief executive of the Development Corporation of Wales. He said that in the next six months five European firms, five American and three from Japan were expected to announce decisions to set up in Wales.

This month the Wales TUC will be releasing details of the

1,000 new jobs in the next three years. Already the centre, which mines, such as Liechwedd at site of the steel works. Since will have a full-time director, Blaenau Ffestiniog, have been 1978 BSC Industry in Wales has been promised £100,000 reopened as tourist attractions helped to create, expand or from local authorities, the same and their effect on the economy relocate 320 companies in the amount from the Welsh Office, £60,000 from the European Social Fund and £45,000 from Welsh Development

Throughout the Principality there is a very cautious August, 1982, they lost everyoptimism that the worse may be thing they had to offer. Mid over. No one underestimates the problems but there is a belief that from the lessons of steel. Wales can emerge with a for new ways of trying to healthy and more diversified counter economic problems. One of them, the Deeside industrial base.

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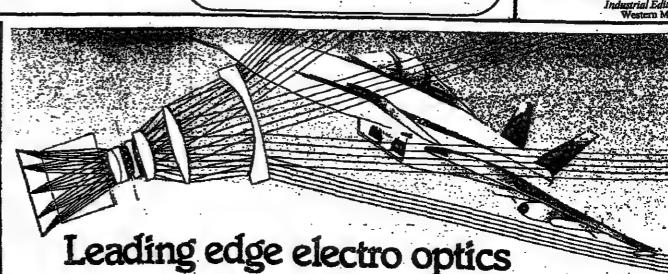
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Welcoming the greenery back to the valleys

Stereotyped images are hard to covery for the student of chairman of the West Glamor-erase. Just as Snowdonia is industrial history. gan County Council Education known to be beautiful, so the South Wales valleys are thought public bodies have combined to South Wales valleys are thought of as unmitigatingly miserable – form the Neath Development Wales and the latest figures grim, depressing places that the Partnership, which recently show that in one year more than tourist has to motor through on announced a £3.5m develop—eleven million British visitors his way to the Brecon Beacons, ment, embracing hine separate spent more than £450m in the the undulating richness of Mid-projects which link existing Principality. An estimated Wales and the high grandeur of facilities in the Gower Penin-E50m more was spent by

and investigate, for as the great consindustries of coal and steel have Th industries of coal and steel have The partnership hopes that declined so the valleys are being the scheme will provide 600

spent millions of pounds on extensive main slope in Britain, removing and landscaping pits. Some of the attractions already and once-barsh hillsides have exist and last year one of them. been transformed into attract- the Penscynor Wildlife Park

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But the tourist should stop morgan with the Brecon Bes. The splenoid assural scenery.

returned to the kind of beauty new jobs in an area that suffers they had before they were an unemployment rate of more Research carried out by the ravaged by the industrial than 18 per cent, and its Wales Tomics Board points to a revolution. Soon there will be attractions are geared to red continuing and worrying only one pit left in the Rhondda valley, an area that was once members of the family. While synonymous with the production of coal.

The Netices (Coal Person Les Survey and trip, others will be survey and trip. The National Coal-Board has be able to ski down the most attracted more than 215,000

an increased share of the British tourist market, the Wales example of how both sides of Tourist Board is cooperating industry can combine, for the with local councils in promot-backers include British Peting a "Visit the Valleys" roleum, British Steel Industry. campaign. Six thousand broThomson International, Metalchures are being printed, extolBox, PSA Management Conling the virtues of the two sultants, the boxough council,
Rhondda valleys, which also the Wales TUC, the Welsh

offer a treasurehouse of dis- Development Agency and the **LANGUAGE**

After lying empty and forlorn for 20 years, the tiny hidden village of Nant Gwrtheym on the Lleyn Peninsula, in the monoglot monoglot English speaking would be "counter productive".

After lying empty and forlorn dramatically how the wheel is In any event Mr Nicholas turning. Edwards, Secretary of State for Wales has said that such a body would be "counter productive".

During his term of office, Mr willage of Nant Gwrtheym on the Lleyn Peninsula, in the monoglot English-speaking would be arrived and rebuilt who maintain they are discriming into a study centre for the maintain they are discriming the ruins of derelict Gwynedd recently parents cottages has become a symbol complained against the county for the language itself. Almost complained against the county abuse heaped on him by complained 1960s, defenders of the language Their have staged a counter punching English fight back to ensure its position settled as the strongest of the old Celtic

tongues.

across Offis's Dyke into the the language.

But if battles have been won, Welsh areas is creating a The single biggest breakthe war for the future of yr hen growing friction. At its most through in the fight for the iaith (the old language) still extreme, the fight to preserve rages, albeit at a much reduced the language and culture has led rate, and the number of to the burning of holiday homes speakers is declining. Only and more than 50 of them have 500,000 people now speak now been attacked. The Welsh Welsh and they are to be found. Welsh and they are to be found Language Society, which primarily in the west of the dissociates itself from the arson, principality, which was largely claims Welsh communities are by passed by the effects of the undermined by omsiders who debilitating industrial revol-buy cottages at prices local ution.

Engulied by a powerful neighbour with an international tongue, it is surprising that Parliaments, aided more often to compel education authorities than not by Welsh members, to make better provision for that the should die and instituted measures to bury it. The most emotive was the Welsh Not, the ward which was hung around the neck of any child heard speaking the language during the school day. The last to wear was thrashed. The fact that children in some schools in-Wales are now gently repri- annual rate of £30m, a sum manded if they are heard which in the present economic speaking English indicates climate seems wildly optimistic.

The Websh Language Society, which has just celebrated its twentieth anniversary has emberked on a new campaign each of the eight authorities has its own policies and the society argues, a new board should be established to strengthen Weish

Crude research by the society would require funding at an annual rate of £30m. a sum

spent more than £450m in the

and magnificent costles cor the changing pattern of holidays is causing concern to hoteliers. traditional holiday of seven or fourteen nights in seaside hotels.

A report by the board stated: "We cannot put all the blame on factors outside our control. Wales has allowed its share of long holidays to slip by, failing to increase spending on pub-licity and promotion at a time when there was increased competition from within Bri-

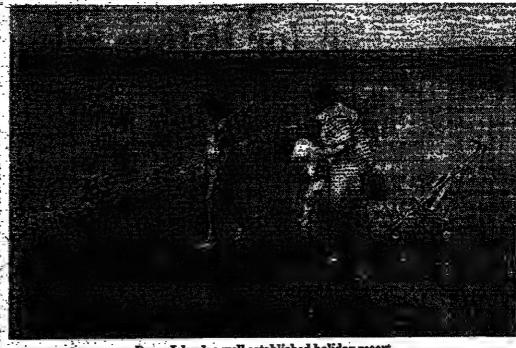
tain and abroad. "Nor was tourism helped by the impression that Wales was no longer a welcoming country. Acts of vandalism or protest seen by visitors in holiday areas, including the burning of

The Welsh Not in reverse

Their protest was led by voluntary organizations than English parents who have the sums given by previous settled in Wales and the administrations and has pubgrowing influx of families from lichy stated his commitment to

survival of the language occurred last November when \$4C, the Welsh language tele-vision station, was launched in Cardiff

In spite of the establishment of the channel, regarded by many as the ultimate anchor for the language, the fight will continue. The Welsh Language Society plans another campaign against, what it perceives to be the weaknesses of the 1967 Weish Language Act which gave the language equal validity in courts of law with English According to society members available in both languages as a matter of course. The battles and efforts to save the tongue outcome of the war remains uncertain. It is a fight that only the Welsh can win, for without their commitment no amount evision can prevent the slow



Barry Island: a well established holiday resort

Party conference and the city

council hopes that eventually it

will attract between ten and

twenty conferences a year. In

August, Cardiff Castle, itself a

marvellous monument, is the

stage for the annual searchlight

tattoo, a spectacular and colour-

the one held at Edinburgh.

road signs, strengthened that imaginative ventures in the tourist field in Britain. Last year more than 500,000 people visited it to make it the top

Board has criticized local visited it to make it the authorities and the trade for not tourist attraction in Wales. spending enough on publicity. Wales, the Board maintains, is losing hundreds of millions of and peaceful in its sun trap pounds of revenue because the setting has built a modern country is not being properly

The overriding complaint made by visitors to Wales is the lack of facilities and things to do when the weather is bad. It is a myth that it always rains in a fine complex which has as its Wales, although when the high core a fine auditorium, capable mountains catch the clouds on of seating 2,000 people. It has their western edge the results can be pretty spectacular.

Wet Sundays in Wales are now far less miserable for the tourist, for, following the latest septennial referendum on the ssue, only two small areas prevent public houses from opening on that day.

While some resorts still offer little more than their natural beauty, Rhyddian Borough Council has responded magnificently to the demand for more amenities by building at Rhyl a magnificent all-weather sun centre. There, for a reasonable entrance charge, a family can spend a whole day having fun, swimming and surfing in what must be one of the most

Cardiff is also the home of the Welsh National Opera Company, whose scintillating performances have been ac-claimed throughout the world. Further down the North Wales coast, Llandudno, elegant The City's culture is completed by fine theatres, where shows are often performed before they

go on for a West End run. Many of the performances are backed by the Welsh Arts Council, which treads a precariconference centre to expand its share of the talking trade, Cardiff, the capital city, has recently joined the major conference league with the opening of the St David's Hall, ous course between giving value for money through the presentation of tried and trusted favourites

into the realms of experimental already played host to a national Social Democratic theatre, Its critics maintain that it does not give sufficient encouragement to Welsh writers. However, its support of Yr Academi Gymreig (The Welsh Academy), which promotes poetry and literature and has funded many workshops to encourage new writers, may indicate otherwise.

ful pageant which easily rivals As a whole, Wales - weather, warts and all - provides an Culturally, there are still few astonishing range of leisure and cultural activities for the tourist. greater experiences than hearing a full-blown Weish male voice From the sandy beaches of choir in full song. These Cardigan Bay to the born-again dedicated amateurs continue to valleys, its range of holidays thrive and when two mighty ranks with any to be found choirs clash in competition the elsewhere in Britain. contest is as keenly fought as

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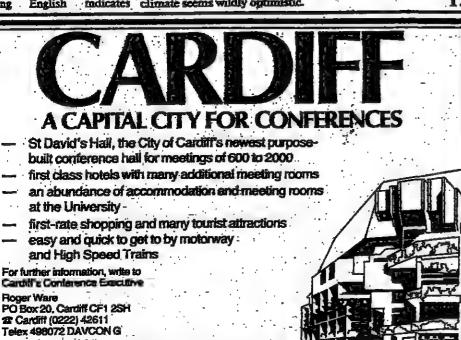
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MARKET REPORT 6 by Michael Clark **Bid for Bilton falters**

ACCOUNT DAY; Dealings Began, April 11. Dealings end, April 22. Contango Day, April 25. Settlement Day, May 3.

The National Coal Pension Fund has announced it sold nearly I million shares out of its offer from Trust the battle looks total holding of 4.6 million like a first round knockout for shares (12.38 per cent of the Bilton. Shares of Trust closed Mackenzie's upgrading of pro- As a result the chartists fits. The Americans also came reckon the whole sector in

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Trust Securities' daring £104m bid for civil engineer

and property developer Percy Bilton was teetering on the brink of failure last night.

this week. Dealers said this reflected the belief among many institutions that the bid would fail and they would cash in their hands while the going was good.

Yesterday shares of Percy

This in examericans also came reckon the whole sector is in for Beechams a similar figure worthy of a buy including higher at 413p and Glaxo up £13/32 at £8 21/32 The FT 539p and Charter Consolidated Index closed 1.8 higher at 688.9.

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investors' shopping lists this week closing 3p up yesterday at a new high of 67p. Word is the group has been presented with a bid of 120p a share. Last night the company was unavailable for comment.

Meanwhile, the latest cut in bank base rates of l_h point to 10

Gilts spent another lacklustre day with the new tap 10.5 per shares of Fidelity Radio jumped could list new tap 10.5 per later the group has been presented with a gain fo £ l_h on the partly paid price of £25 when dealing cordless telephone at the Savoy began. Less than half the £1,000m of stock offered was applied for.

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City-Comment

Clausen's

cupboard

is bare

"Concessional funds", Mr

A. W. "Tom" Clausen, president of the World

Bank, said yesterday, "are

the scarcest commodity on

planet earth bar none." He

should know. Although Mr

Clausen would not say it in

so many works, bank

officials admit that the

outlook is gloomy for the International Development

Association, the bank's

obtaining from the 33

member governments the full \$18,000m it needs in

the seventh replenishment

to maintain the real value of its resources are dimin-

Otherwise well-disposed governments, such as the British, are growing weary

of endless obstructions on

Capitol Hill to the full

disbursement of IDA 6, let

alone IDA 7. This has been one of the main reasons for Mr Clausen's

The chances of the IDA

soft loan arm.

ishing rapidly.

Investment and Finance

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Telephone 01-837 1234 STOCK EXCHANGES

FT Index: 688.9 up 1.8 FT Gifts: 82.11, down 0.13 FT All Share: 435.70, up 2.68 Bargains: 25,167 Tring Hail USM Index: 171.2, up 0.7

New York: Dow Jones Average (midday) 1,154.02, down 2.62

CURRENCIES

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TODAY

Interims: Adwest, Trust, Linread Lowland Investment Trust, Uister Television. Finals: Blackwood Hodge, De Beers Consolidated Mines, Dewburst Dent Hunting Petroleum Services, Leyland Paint cantly higher sales.

& Wallpaper, F Miller Textiles, Investors' notebo

Economic statistics; Index of industrial production (February, provisional), usable steel production (March).

Takeover blow for Bassishaw

The Takeover Panel has turned down an attempt by Bassishaw to offer loanstock as an alternative to its 130p bid for UDS. It is now asking UDS shareholders not to accept the higher Hanson bid until they have seen its offer document to be published on Monday. It will ask if shareholders are prepared to sacrifice jobs in the high street for the sake of 31/2p, the difference between the two cash

offers.

Bassishaw's offer has been extended for another 14 days.

Both Hanson and two dissenting UDS directivities the out statements criticizing the UDS board's decision to re-commend the lower Bassishaw

OCTOPUS VALUE: Octopus Publishing Group will be worth at least £30.1m when it becomes a public company later this month. The highly regarded publisher of glossy, full-colour books is being brought to the market by way of a tender offer with a minimum price of 275p by N M Rothschild Investors' notebook, page 19

Kwik-Fit attempt to sort out the potential conflict of interest with Crest International by with Crest International by taking it over has foundered again. Although Kwik-Fit's merchant bank, Samuel Montamerchant bank, Samuel Montagu, said it had established bid gu, said it had established bid terms satisfactory to the institutional shareholders of Kwik-tutional Association of the intersection of the intersection of the intersection of the intersection to agree William Brock, the top US to an overhaul of the intersection trade official, announced this week that they had invited finance and trade ministers edly that the present system of from the seven summit nations and disaster which has created to a special joint meeting in the National Association of the intersection to agree William Brock, the top US to an overhaul of the intersection to agree william Brock, the top US to an overhaul of the intersection of the intersectio tutional shareholders of New Person Fit the National Association of Pension Funds has for the Pension Funds has for the Second time voiced its misgiv-second time voiced ings. So there is the unusual situation of a bid acceptable to the hidder's shareholders, but not the offerer's.

PROFITS RECORD: Pretax profits of West Midlands based Ash and Lacy have topped for the first time £3m. In 1982, they expanded by 31 per cent to £3.07m. Mr J. F. Vernon, the chairman, tells shareholders that this was achieved in spite of a reassion. to persuade important members trade policies by Western cooperation would be nothing of President Reagan's cabinet nations in their dealings with more than an interim measure.

Who have been invited to the each other and with less He argued that there was conference on May 17 that the developed countries. shareholders that this was be a priority item at the of the last year has highlighted achieved in spite of a recession williamsburg economic summit the need for Western nations to comparable in its severity to that between the two world on May 28. that between the total dividend, wars." The total dividend, one of several recent attempts oped nations whose economies gross, is being boosted from 20p by US officials and private are dependent on these control 25.71p a share.

Wall St stocks down 5 points

Wall Street stocks pulled back from an early advance yester-

The Dow Jones industrial erage fell about five points to 1151 after starting the session

Advancing issues' lead over leclines narrowed to fve-to-

International Business Ma chines fell 1/3 at 1071/4. It reported a rose in first quarter net to \$1.62 a share from \$1.33 and the stock fell 1½ before while oil prices would

General Motors rose 7, at 623, General Electric fell 4, at 10734; American Telephone & Telegraph rose $\frac{1}{h_0}$ at 65.

Honeywell off $\frac{1}{h_0}$ at 92 $\frac{1}{h_0}$.

International Paper fell $\frac{1}{h_0}$ to 53. Exxon off $\frac{1}{h_0}$ to 32 $\frac{3}{h_0}$. General Dynamics fell $\frac{1}{h_0}$ to 44 and Lockheed rose 27/g to 111.

Aydin at 52¾ was up ½

Motorola at 108½ was down ¾

Whirlpool at 53½ was up

½; Teledyne at 146¾ was down

1½; Warner Communications at Warner Communications at was unchanged; Hewlett Packard at 791/2 was down 1.

Rio Tinto

shares

jump 40p

By Sally White

international mining and indus-trial group, were higher than had been expected last year. At

the pretax level, profits dipped to £341m from £348m and the

net profit attributable to share-

holders was higher at £103.5m against £102.3m.

But the company has sounded a note of caution: "While there are some signs that limited

recovery is beginning to appear in a number of Western

economies, most importantly in the United States, it is not

The company says that

supplies of basic raw materials

tend to experience the impact

of changes in business activity

rather late in the cycle and it is

likely to be towards the end of

this yea, or even in to 1984, before the full benefits of any

economic revival are realized

in terms of the group's

But the shares rose sharply, up 40p at 584p.
Group sales rose from £3.020m to £3,680m. The inclusion of £400m from sales

of Tunnel Holdings and Thos.

W. Ward accounted for most

of this increase. Borax and

Hamersley, the iron-ore interests, and Rossing, the uranium

industrial services and engineer-

ing company.

The two groups yesterday concluded arrangements for

London and Midland to buy

Banbury and Gardens, which makes pre-fabricated home

extentions, garages and green-

London and Midland already owns Compton Buildings, which is in the same business

and is one of the group's more successful subsidiaries.

Announcing annual profits slightly ahead of the £15m it

rival brick maker Ibstock

Banbury because it has been unprofitable.

forecast at the time of its bid for per cent.

Johnsen. London Brick said said: "
yesterday that it was selling ment

yet broadly based."

operating results.

Profits of Rio Tipto-Zinc, the

In what amounts to the first tion." full defence of the Govern-

inevitably be determined by the balance of supply and demand, Britain had an interest in smoothing out the imperfec-

can stop North Sea prices from day.

Britain 'uniquely placed' to prevent market falls says minister

Lawson defends intervention to stabilize world oil prices

By Jonathan Davis, Energy Correspondent

The world's oil market going where the market takes "The market does, indeed, tized last November. Mr Philip was optimistic about the comappears to have stabilized, and them, but it can allow time for appear to have stabilized," Mr Shelbourne, Britoil's chairman, pany's likely share performance a third oil price shock is the market's expectations to Lawson said. "If so, it is hard to confirmed yesterday that Britoil in the medium-term. unlikely, Mr Nigel Lawson, the settle down, reducing the danger see a third oil shock of the was still in discussions with Secretary of State for Energy, of an initial overreaction and so nature of either of those we BNOC about the corporation's said vesterday.

ment's recent intervention to oil companies not to push too prevent futher sharp falls in the hard for further reductions in price of North Sea oil, Mr the North Sea price for fear of Lawson said that, as a leading wrecking last month's Organiza-trading nation and oil exporter, tion of Petroleum Exporting Britain was uniquely placed to Countries pricing agreement is determine where the Western acknowledged to have helped to world's best interests on oil restore some stability to the

minimizing unnecessary disruption."

The Government's pressure on oil companies not to push too

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resulted from a buyers' panic, from which lessons have been learnt, he said. One company which has still not accepted the new prices proposed by the British National Oil Corporation is

BNOC about the corporation's to the beginning of February.

While welcoming the Bud-get's tax concessions, Mr Shelbourne repeated his call for all North Sea oil taxes to be into line with other industries. Mr Shelbourne said at the first annual results press conference since privatization, that he Britoil, controversially priva-

"We have sufficient experience of the effects of oil shocks, of the cost of economic adjustment, to recognize the desirability of doing what we can to avoid unnecessary fluctuations and to achieve equilibrium by the smoothest possible route" he said.

"The British national oil corporation's pricing proposals and to achieve the standard period because of the money supply, sterling M3, rose by 0.9 per cent in the four weeks to mid-March, the first two months of the first two months of the first two months of the within the 7 to 11 per cent target period which began in range, even if public borrowing the factor which increased incentially the first two months of the target period which began in the four weeks to mid-March, the Bank of England confirmed year is likely to undee or top the target period which began in range, even if public borrowing the first two months of the target period which began in the four weeks to mid-March, the Bank of England confirmed year is likely to undee or top the target period which began in the four weeks to mid-March, the Bank of England confirmed year is likely to undee or top the target period which began in the four weeks to mid-March, the first two months of the target period which began in the four weeks to mid-March, the Bank of England's period batch of five target period which began in the four weeks to mid-March, the first two months of the target period which began in the four weeks to mid-March, the first two months of the target period which began in the four weeks to mid-March, the first two months of the target period which began in the four weeks to develop marginal fields.

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followed by pressure for more. City analysts estimate that over the target period as a whole

measure of private sector liquidity, PSL2, which includes building society deposits, in-creased by 1.3 per cent.

Britoil confirmed it is in discussions with Amerada Hess right to backdate its new prices and other United States oil companies about acquiring American exploration and production interests. The company also disclosed that a £80m drilling rig being built at Scott replaced by corporation tax Littingo was running at least a alone to bring the oil industry year behind schedule.

Mr Hamish Gray, Energy Minister, said yesterday a substantial number of applications may soon be forthcoming to develop North Sea oil and sas fields. "We could be on the verge of a flood of applications," he said.

Six applications are already

market in Rotterdam to just over the official price of \$30 a

European grand tour. He has reminded the British Government this week of the mutual advantages of aid, stressed the ability of the World Bank to borrow at the narrowest spreads for 25 years while commercial banks would prefer to reduce their Third World exposure, and suggested that the big countries should commit themselves at Williamsburg to maintain development assistance at a

reasonable level. . This mesage will be repeated all over Europe and in the Far East. But the tone is defensive. Maintaining assistance at "reasonable levels" is a far cry from asking for real

Yet the importance of DA 7, and indeed of the World Bank's mainstream activities, is undiminished. The poorest of the world need more rather than less help. It is, therefore, unfortunate that so far the private sector has responded in a lukewarm way to the bank's co-financing proposals.

Money growth likely to exceed target

corporation's pricing proposals April period because of the have had this objective very much in mind. Not that BNOC in March revealed on Wednes-

'Delighted' Miss World chief Mr Eric Morley with former

Miss World in demand

A broker in drag and a bevy showed a figure of 133p, valuing

the London Stock Exchange yesterday as the beauty competition he introduced more than 30 years ago was offered to the

About 42 per cent of the For the current year to shares in Miss World Group December 31, the group has were offered, representing forecast pretax profits of £300,000 compared with a

when dealings began the first figure of only £156,000 last

Mr Morley, who with his wife

According to Mr Gill, several

deals which the company had

entered into last year were not

going to produce the expected results. In the light of this

information these "doubtful" agreements and deals have been

investigated by the group's auditors Peat, Marwick, Mitchell. The deals could cost

the company about £850,000. In addition, the company has

made provisions for a further £185,000 to take into account discontinued activities.

six months to December 31, now show £1.72m losses. The

company is now in touch with

its solicitors to try and reclaim

Over the last year, European heads of state have been urging

sider its non-intervention policy

Mr Leslie Dicks-Mireaux, a special adviser to the Bank of

England, yesterday said the US

may be swinging towards considering cooperating with

other countries to intervene on

foreign exchange markets.

He was careful in the words he chose to express the possi-

bility of a turnround in US

opinion on intervention. But he

gave the impression that the

American position was chang-

ing and that the results would

Mr Dicks-Mireaux, while

defending the role of inter-

vention in reducing volatility, nevertheless stressed that such

cooperation would be nothing

He argued that there was

increasing urgency to create an

international monetary system

that would assure greater

stability. There was growing

European disenchantment with

become clear after

Williamsburg summit

Unaudited accounts for the

of beauties greeted Mr Eric the group at £2.5m.

Morley's Miss World debut on

However, Mr Bill Beddow, London and Midland chairman,

was confident that it could be

turned round and to yield the

10 per cent plus on sales that Compton makes "in less than

and Midland shares were yesterday placed in the stock

acquisition.
London Brick's profits rose
from £11.2m to £15.3m last

year, an increase of nearly 37

Mr Jeremy Rowe, chairman.

reflects our success in a year

of achievement and change.

Kissinger urges overhaul of monetary system

Call for new Bretton Woods

Dr Henry Kissinger, the executives to focus attention on former US Secretary of State, what they regard as a potentially and a group of influential dangerous lack of coordination heads of state have been urging European and American offi- of international economic and the Administration to recon-

the aim is to achieve greater

The severe world debt crisis

develop economic and trade

The Kissinger initiative is policies which will allow devel-

cials will convene a special trade policies.

meeting in Washington next

month to try to persuade the Treasury Secretary, and Mr

Reagan Administration to agree William Brock, the top US

to an overhaul of the intertrade official, announced this
national monetary system.

De Kirringer has raid agreed.

officials, including Otto Graf after the Organizsation for von Lambsdorf, the Western Economic Cooperation and German finance minister, in- Development Paris conference

ration to agree to a new Mr R T McNamar, the US international conference on Treasury Undersecretary, said

The group will also attempt coordination of economic and

tend to press the Administ- on May 9.

issue of exchange rates should

exchange rates.

The substantial improve-

in our pretax profits

market at 112p to pay for the

About 2.7 million London

Investors' notebook, page 19 price marked on dealers' pitches year.

two years."

ABP beats profit forecast

By Peter Wilson-Smith

Year to 31.12.82
Pretax profit 25.5m (£10.3m loss)
Turnover £152m (£128m)
Net dividend nil Share price 159p

Associated British Ports has had a good first quarter aithough the level of trade has antiough the level of that has not shown any significant improvement yet. Mr Keith Stuart, the chariman, said yesterday as the group announced 1982 profits just aband of formers. chead of forecast.

Compared with the £5.4m

oretax forecast at the time of the neavily-oversubscribed offer for sale in February, ABP turned in

Allowing for changes in the group's capital structure since the year-end and new arrangements with British Steel, the underlying profit after £3.6m of severance payments was £8.9m

Sotheby's seeks a better suitor

financiers and art collectors for an excellent managerial en-Sotherby Parke Barnet was vironment in which to work." dispatched yesterday to the company's shareholders amid upon further reflection, the growing speculation in the stock market that Sotherby's will not be able to find a more

Sotherby's is expected to respond next week to the opening of the formal bid proceedings with a defence document which is likely to predict a return to profits of more than £1m in the year to

Yesterday's 520p a share offer document from Mr Mar-shall Cogan and Mr Stephen Swid, attempts to cast doubt on the threat by the company's 133 art experts that they will resign if the two Americans gain

control "We are confident that these professionals, whom we regard

The formal offer document as essential to the revitalization detailing the terms of the of Sotherby's, would in the £60.6m bid by two New York event find that we would create

> upon further reflection, the directors and experts will not take any action that might harm Sotherby's. That the directors, upon mature reflection, will recommend the offer." Mr Gordon Branton, Sotheby

chairman, pledged himself to finding an alternative solution to the company's predicament. Mr Graham Llewellyn, chief

executive, who has been cautioned by the Takeover Panel for the way he has condemned the American bid, said: "What really sticks in the gullet about all this is that having done all the soul-destroying restructuring of the last year, these two Americans have come along to try and reap the rewards. We bitterly resent this approach."

CLERICAL MEDICAL 1982

"Total new premium income reached a record £70 million, 75% higher than in 1981."

Sir Douglas Morpeth, Chairman

Overall Premium Income

London Brick sell-off Auditors' check at Home Video By Jeremy Warner London Brick had sold for Year to 31.12.82 £3m a business it bought 10 Pretax profit £15.33m (£11.15m) years ago for £7m to London Turnover £137.4m (£127.9m) and Midland Industries, the Mr Jack Gill, new chairman of Home Video, has looked into the company's cupboard and found a few skeletons.

Principal points from the Chairman's Statement -"The figures for individual business were good. New ordinary life annual

"The overall increase in new premiums was achieved despine a decrease in new annual premiums to Group Pension Contracts...new money received as single premiums to group pension schemes showed a substantial increase, however, largely due to the highly successful launch of the Society's Managed Funds."

premiums grew by 50%...new premiums paid to individual pension arrangements

Prospects for 1953

In 1983, of particular importance will be the changes in the method by which tax relief is allowed on private mortgages and in the way Building Societies calculate payments due to them. The effect of these changes is to make the repayment of a mortgage by means of endowment assurance more attractive in the short term while preserving the longer term advantages that have been apparent for many years." "We do not think it likely that 1983 will see any significant recovery of the group

pensions market but we expect an increasing flow of new premium income from individual pension arrangements; here, our recently introduced Executive Investment Pension Plan...is proving to be a market leader. Managed Funds

"We also look for continued growth for our Managed Funds which we introduced at the beginning of 1982. This pooled investment management service is ideally suited to pension fund trustees who seek a more direct investment approach than is offered by an insured commact.

the outset, a Mixed Fund and a Cash Fund, and the success of the new venture has enabled us to introduce a further five speciality funds from the beginning of 1983."

"The two Managed Funds were launched with unit offer prices of 100, and by the end of the year the offer price

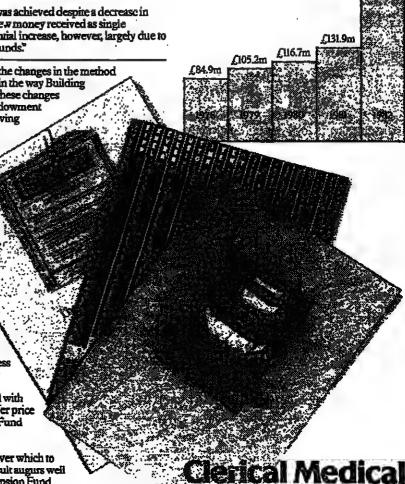
Two investment funds were offered at

performers of 1982." "Although one year is too short a period over which to judge a pension fund's investment performance, this result augurs well

"The Society, which depends on the impartial advice of independent intermediaries for the introduction of new policyholders, takes the view that an industry-wide understanding on maximum rates of commission is essential for the continued health of the British life assurance market, and we are working with a number of other offices to

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of the Mixed Fund had moved to 140,2 and of the Cash Fund to 115.9, results which put both funds amongst the top

when seen alongside the established performance of Pension Fund Management, our service for individual portfolios, which once again produced good results in 1982 and whose record since its commencement in January 1974 is, we believe, unsurpassed by any other investment management team?

Industrial notebook

The cheap petrol era trickles away

Why is petrol still so cheap? itself - or started worrying too much how efficiently they use were raised by up to 14p a gallon, one of the largest increases in living memory, the question might seem unnecessarily provocative. Yet it deserves to be asked, even though – indeed, particularly because – world oil prices are

now failing. This has nothing to do with the profitability or otherwise of the oil companies, nor is it about the wholly admirable competitive pressures which have sent pump prices fluctuerting up and down so furiously over the past 18 months. It is a question of energy policy.

The case for raising the tax

on petrol by a significant factor is almost as strong as any such move would be unpopular, But if Britain is to make any pretence that it is interested in promoting energy conservation, it is eventually going to have to tackle the country's pro-car lobby head on. Those of us who are members of the lobby should, nonetheless, feel free to fight

any such move with vigour.

The figures which so graphically describe how the Exporting Countries has failed to cure the British people's love affair with the motor car, are worth recounting. Since 1973, despite a near five-fold increase in the real price of crude oil, the price of petrol in real terms has gone up by no more than 25 per cent, less before you take this week's

increases into account. Largely because of this, petrol consumption has continued to grow nearly every year while oil demand as a whole has dropped sharply. The only exceptions to this trend were in the two years after the first trauma of the 1973 oil price shock, and in 1981, when the Chancellor took his courage in his hands and whacked up petrol duty by 20p a gallon. Both these

deviations proved short-lived. Since 1966, petrol's share of oil demand has gone up from 18 to 32 per cent, and while motorists have become sensitive to differences in pump prices offered by competing petrol stations, they have not stopped buying the product

It would clearly be absurd to deny that higher prices have had significant effects on car sales, and on the size and efficiency of engines, as Sir Michael Edwardes, for one, would happily admit. Yet there is still a long, long way to go. A recent report by the

Policy Studies Institute, for example, found that since 1973, despite the best endeavours of Opec, the number of cars in Britain has actually increased, by 9 per cent, while the average mileage of each car, both new and old, has also gone up, by 6 per cent. All the gains in engine efficiency have, therefore, been more than offset by increased consumption and car ownership.

In another intriguing statistical series, the institute also found that in 1981 it took the average wage earner 24 min-utes to earn the cost of a gallon of petrol, exactly the same amount of time it took in 1970. All the recent anecdotal evidence from the United States, and in Britain, about renewed customer interest in larger cars supports the view that the conservation signals in the price of a gallon of petrol are still too feeble.

By raising petrol duty sharply, restoring (some of) the sensible price advantage of diesel over petrol, and broaching the concessions on company cars, the Government has done perhaps rather more than one might have expected, given its natural anti-public transport inclinations. But with oil prices falling, the need for further duty increases on petrol to provide a proper ncentive to conservation and efficiency is greater than ever

Obstacles to this course there will be aplenty, and it is too much to hope for any action before the election. But then, as Edmund Burke, that one time favourite Tory philosopher, said: "To tax and to please, no more than to love and be wise, is not given to men". Motorists should enjoy their cheap petrol while it

Jonathan Davis

Clive Cookson reports on how Xerox's profits fightback has an Eastern flavour

Copier king challenges Japanese

Rank Xerox is launching the most extensive range of photo-copiers the industry has known in a bold attempt to reverse a 10-year decline in profit margins and market share.

The Xerox 10 Series, unveiled last month in a smokesound-and-light extravaganza at the Lyric Theatre in London, is the basis of a broad counter offensive against Japanese newcomers who have pushed the company's share of the worldwide copier market below

50 per cent. Mr Hamish Orr-Ewing, the former Ford and British Leyland executive who is chairman of Rank Xerox, likes to compare the importance of the 10 Series to the impact on Ford of replacing the Fiesta, Escort, Cortina and Granada all at

The two machines at the low end of the range, the 1020 (price £1,500) and 1035 (£3,000) show

Rank Xerox pretax profits peaked at £316m in 1977

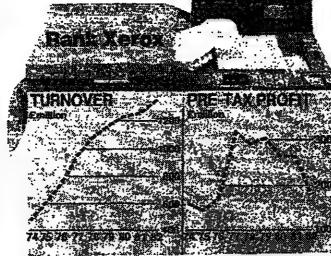
Xerox's particular determination to regain some of the Xerox market for cheap low-volume copiers, where the Japanese invasion started, Rank Xerox now holds little more than oneeighth of that sector in the United Kingdom.

Fortunately, Rank Xerox is future of the Kank Organis-armed with its own Japanese ation.

The history of the copier technology, through a 50 per ceut stake in Fuji Xerox (Fuji Photo Film owns the other half). Mr Orr-Ewing calls Fuji Xerox "perhaps the supreme example of a successful Japanese-Western joint venture and he points out that Fuji Nerox alone still outsells Canon, the largest wholly Japanese owned copier manu-

The 1020 and 1035 were both designed by Fuji Xerox. But the British factory at Mitcheldean, Gloucestershire, will manufacture them for sale in what the company calls the "Rank Xerox world", that is everywhere except the Americas (Xerox territory) and Japan.

The mid-level 1045 copier (price about £5,000) was developed in Britain at the Engineering Group Headquarters at Welwyn Garden City. The Dutch plant at Venray will



make it for sale worldwide.

ncluding America. At the top of the new range, the 1075 (up to £27.500) was developed mainly in the United States and will initially be imported from there to Europe, though Venray will also make it in due course. Although the Rank Organiza-

tion has owned 49 per cent of Rank Xerox since its formation in 1956, Mr Orr-Ewing stressed that it is run just as if it were a wholly owned subsidiary of are still "Xeroxes".

Rank representatives sit on the main Rank Xerox board, but they play no part in the management. Mr Orr-Ewing declines to comment on the current uncertainties about the

industry is a classic example of what happens when a monopoly loses its protection. While there is some justice in the critics' claim that Xerox failed to prepare properly for the Japa-nese onslaught, no company could have been expected to keep an exclusive grip on such a lucrative and fast-growing busi-ness after the patent thicket was removed

profit margins until compe-tition appeared in the early 1970s after the basic patents protecting "xerography" had expired. Turnover has continued to rise steadily over the past 10 years, despite the loss of half the market to new entrants, because total photocopier sales have grown so fast. And, of course, the industry's rapid expansion was itself due partly to the Japanese competition forcing down prices.

Shares of the photocopier market are hard to estimate companies are not prepared to give away sales figures to their competitors. Xerox and Rank Xerox probably take 40 to 50 per cent of the industry's total revenues including service and supplies as well as sales and rental of the actual machines. Their large installed base of high-volume

The market looks very different when you count the number of new machines sold. In those terms, Xerox's share may have fallen below 10 per cent - behind not only Canon, but three or four other Japanese suppliers.

the world's plain paper copies

Canon, leader of the Japanese pack, announced its NP copying system in 1968 as "the world's first plain paper alternative to xerography". But it did not launch a major export drive until the mid-1970s. Although Canon claims that its technology owes nothing to Xerox, it waited until the main Xerox patents expired before entering the market.

Canon's breakthrough mass sales was not achieved Rank Xerox had enjoyed fat until its first chesp low-volume machine, the NP200, was launched in 1978. Now Canon also builds copiers outside Japan. The company has established itself in California and West Germany. About 30 per cent of the machines it sells in Britain are imported from the German plant in Giessen.

Rank Xerox's pretax profits peaked at £316m in 1977. And the fall became steeper last year with the recession; the company

(The complexity of the cost and profit-sharing arrangements between Xerox, Rank and Fuji leave room for confusion; these figures are given before deduct- its traditional practice of selling ing the Xerox Corporation's direct to corporate customers. charges for research and devel- The company is reaching new opment expenditure; they in- customers, like small businessclude the Rank Xerox share of Fuji Xerox profits).

Mr Orr-Ewing warns that combination of retail stores.

because of London costs, the 10 agents, telephone and direct Series will not bring Rank mail marketing. Xerox any financial benefit this year. "It will be in 1984 that the chickens come home to roost in the financial sense," he says.

Analysts of the photocopic industry are impressed by Xerox's various moves to fight back against the Japanese. "The back against the Japanese. "The

the financial sense," he says.

The Xerox companies are spending enough on copier spending enough on copier woken up, according to Miss research and development – Monica Camahort, who manages Dataquest's California or 70 per cent of their total based copying and development industry service. research and development industry service. budget - to remain the industechnological leaders. (That is about five times as let alone reverse, the slide in its much as Canon's expenditure share of worldwide copying on copier R & D.) But even the best products cannot save Xerox without a simultaneous transformation of the manufac. An explosion turing and marketing operations to meet the Japanese challenge.

Rank Xerox has been increasing manufacturing productivity rapidly over the past three years. Employment in the Mitcheldean factory is already copiers means more than half down to 2,800 from about 4,800 in 1980, and a further cut announced last month will reduce the workforce there to 2,300 by the end of this

> The redundancies have been made worse by a shift in demand away from large and expensive copiers whose con-struction is relatively labour intensive.

There is an explosion at the bottom end of the market. Britain's population of photo



Note: These figures are an approximate indication of each company's percentage of total copier sales during 1982/83, based on unpublished sources.

APPOINTMENTS

Lloyds Bank UK director

200,000 in 1980 to 450,000 by

1983. This makes it impossible

But no one will predict

confidently that Xerox will hair,

share of worldwide copying

revenues. There is too much

concern about the growing

threat from American competi-

tors, notably Kodak, at the most

lucrative top end of the market

where Xerox is overwhelmingly dominant, and from the Japa-nese moving into the mid-price

In fact Xerox could afford a

gradual decline in its share if the total market grows as fast as

worldwide revenues to increase from \$22,800m (£15,200m) in 1982 to \$49,600m in 1987 (about a third of that is within

Xerox has also invested heavily,

and so far unprofitably, in

electronic office automation. But over 80 per cent of its business still consists of "put-

ting marks on paper", as Mr Orr-Ewing puts it. Paper will

give way gradually to electronic media for long-term infor-

mation storage, but the present generation will continue to find it more convenient than elec-

tronic screens for temporary

Mr Orr-Ewing predicts: "The

piece of paper with marks on it

is going to be here for my

lifetime and, I suspect, for

and mobile display.

Europe).

end of market

(or at least impossibly expensive) for Rank-Xerox to rely on Sir Peter Ramsbotham has become a director of the clearing bank board of Lloyds Bank, Lloyds Bank UK Management. He will succeed Lord Beeching, who retires at the annual general meeting of Lloyds Bank UK Management as chairman of the southern regional board of the bank, Sir Peter has retired from his directorship of Lloyds Bank International.

Mr Arthur Holmes has joined the board of Lowndes ambert Group and Mr Barry director of Lowndes Lambert

Mr K G Goodman has been appointed managing director and Mr E R C Farmer chairman of Glaxo Export, the newly-formed export company within the Glaxo Group. Mr Goodman was formerly commercial director of the Glaxo subsidiary Glaxochem. Mr Farmer is a member of the board of Glaxo Holdings, the parent company of the Glaxo

Group.

Mr Richard Allardyce has become chief executive of Wigham Poland Oil & Gas

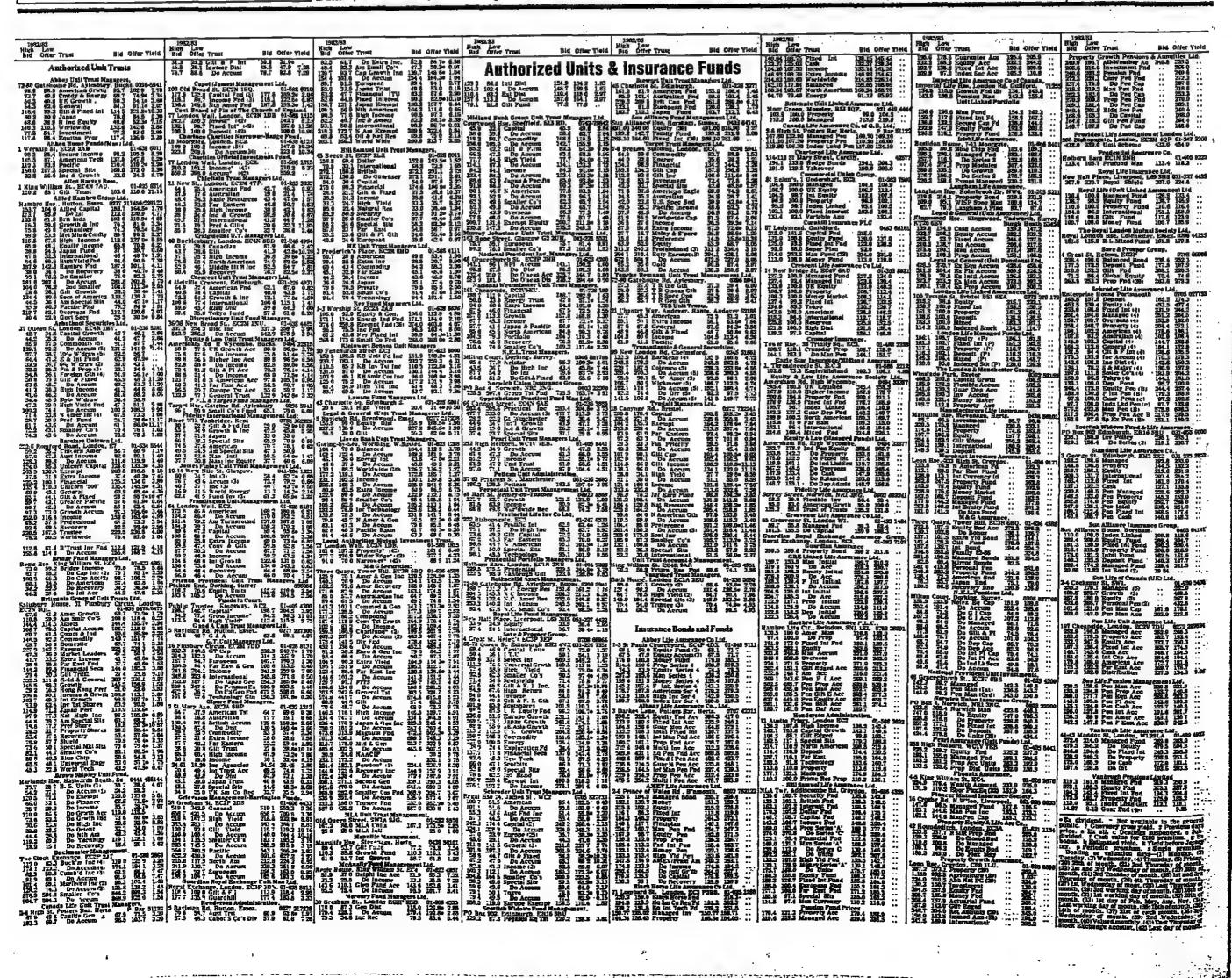
Mr David W L Soulsby has joined the board of Manufac-turers Hanover Industrial Finance as marketing director. Mr Dennis O'Connor is named as the new director of product marketing for Apple Computer (UK).

Mr Robin Howard has taken the new post of senior executive assistant to Mr James Gulliver, chairman of Argyll Foods. Mr Christopher Jones is

appointed a non-executive director of the parent company Bassett Foods, Mr Christopher Hughes has become marketing director of the sugar confection-ery subsidiary. Geo. Bassett &

Mr Lewis Wilkinson, for-merly the Co-operative Bank's assistant general manager (central services), has been appointed general manager (administration).

Mr Geoffrey C. Honeyball has been named as company secretary of Drake & Scull Holdings. His appointment follows the resignation of Mr Ronald J. Simpson as finance director and company secretary, who has left the group to take up a position elsewhere.



BUSINESS NEWS

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INVESTORS' NOTEBOOK @ edited by Sally White

Taylor Woodrow in line for rerating

Taylor Woodrow Year to 31.12.82 Pretax profit £28.5m (24.9m) Stated earnings 54.7p (149.7p) Turnover £804m (£575m) Net final dividend 14p, mkg 27.857 Share price 565p. Yield 7 per cent

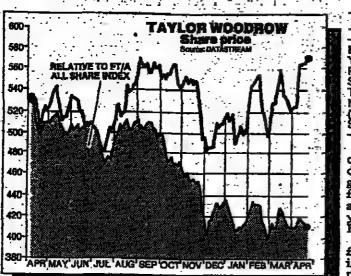
The rush to discover neglected stocks seems to have missed some of the building contractors. This can be the only reason why Taylor Woodrow is on a prospective multiple that is at least a 25 per cent discount to the market With the City hoping for £34.5m in 1983, the rating looks way out

Taylor Woodrow's performance shows the continuation of a long period of stagnation. However, the rise in profits from £24.9m to £28.5m show the benefit of the £4m loss climination from the provision on a Trinidad contract.

Divisional breakdown shows contracting up nearly £3m at £15m, property barely changed at £4.9m, and housing down £1m at £4.9m.

Geographical . breakdown gives large rises in Australasia and the Far East, a turnround into £1m profit in the Americas, a slight drop to £7m profit in the Middle East, and £1.3m i Africa, and a worsening of the European loss at £371,000. The United Kingdom dropped very slightly at £16.7m.

The shares have been depressed by the exposure to Nigeria, where the company has been working through its order load. But it has been there for long enough to ensure that this



does not reduce its leverage for surprise in a big way - an securing payment. unusual event in the City given

that secured a premium rating over the market in the past. The asset value is at least £9 a share. and this seems to have been

Rio Tinto-Zinc Corporation Year to 31.12.82 Pretax profit 2341m (2348m).
Stated earnings 39.62p (40.42p).
Turnover£3,680m (£3,020m).
Net final dividend 10.5p making 16p

Rio Tinto-Zinc

Share price 584p. Yield 3.9 per RTZ took the market by

It was the property backing the usual efficiency of corporate communication - with its jump in pretax profits to £241m in the second half, against £100m in the first half.

It should be only a matter of increase of £20m from Hamtime before the price moves to meralcy (not so much from the reflect fundamental strengths. company's performance but as a result of RTZ's different accounting treatment), an £11m increase from rossing and a first time contribution from Tunnel and Ward. In addition the fall in RTZ Orax's profits was very much less than the market had

> This year the dividend could from higher prices for metals, and the rise in the share price to 584p, with 174p a distinct possibility.

Hestair

Hestair Year to 31.1.83. Pretax profit 22.16m (£1.64m). Stated earnings 10.1p (8.1p). Turnover £69.38m (£84.22m). Net final dividend 2p making 3,25p Share price 60p. Yield 7.7p.

Pretax profits of Hestair, the and are going to rise further this and are going to rise further this The minimum price puts year, according to Mr David Octopus, built up by Mr Paul Hargreaves, the chairman. Hamlyn, on a fully-taxed price-

Though the group produced £4m profits in 1977 and 1978, it is still a remarkably good performance in view of its exposure to the specialist

The group did well in this field to hold the decline in £714,000, for it is now one the few profitable commercial chassis businesses in Britain.

Although until recently it was the smallest of the commercial vehicle businesses, Hestair Dennis is now emerging as the biggest with an order book representing seven months' work at £27m - a good £5m more than it has been at any stage in the past.

Mr Hargreaves is, however, not satisfied. The return on sales in this part of the group is far too low and despite the £200,000 of direct costs attributable to the recent type aproval regulations that will fall into this year, he aims to take it

At 60p, the shares have to be reasonable value on a yield of 7.7 per cent, after the hoist in the final dividend, and selling at just 10.5 times fully taxed carrings.

Octopus

With around £3,000m sitting in the City ready to stag new issues, a few lessons have been learned. So Octopus Publishing commercial vehicles to industrial and office services a tender offer with a minimum
group, rose by 31 per cent to
price of 275p which would
£2.16m in the year to January
value the company at £30.1m value the company at £30.1m

> earning ratio of 18.6. But even the minimum tender price shows a helly premium to net assets of about 98p a share. And as Octopus - with its relation-ship with Marks & Spencer, Sainsbury and other big re-tailers - is a unique publisher it is difficult to value.

Guesses about the striking price - the application list closes next Thursday - put it at over 300p: say 10 per cent above the

Yesterday's offer of 3.1 million shares has been under-written and represents 20 per cent of the capital but a further 30 per cent of the capital is issued in deferred shares which will not be listed. This follows

the splitting of the capital,
Octopus's £773,000 shareholding in TV-am, where Mr
Hamlyn is a non-executive director, has been written down to a nominal £1.

Mr Hamlyn will own 63 per cent of the issued shares, and 85 per cent of the deferred shares.



Fifteenth record year for Portals

Portals Holdings Year to 31.12.82 Pretax profit £14.8m (£13.3m) Stated earnings 48p (87.1p) Turnover £157m (£143m) Net finat dividend 9.75p, making Share price 575p, up 30p. Yield Dividend payable 1.7.83

Portals has turned in record profits for the fifteenth conseculive year, with a pretax increase from £13.3m to £14.8m. The dividend is up by nearly 11 per

ings per share were well down probably reduce them this year.

in the water treatment division On the trading side, the papermaking division, which makes the banknote paper, edged ahead to £7.7m.

The other main division, water treatment and engineering, incurred losses in the latter activity, but water treatment seems to have held up well despite lower demand from important Middle East markets and profits were up from £5.4m to £5.7m.

Portals is to spend £10m over However, the return to a Hampshire mill. Its United normal tax charge after the States mill is now on stream, exceptionally low levels of although this will not lift profits carrier years means that carrier years means that earn until 1984 to 1985 and will

last year from 67.1p to 46p.

Last year's growth in pretax likely this year to perhaps profits was due partly to the £15.5m, although on the basis £1.2m rise in met interest of the present tax charge this would still leave stated earnings. This was because of higher about op below the stated ance payments on contracts carnings of 54p in 1980.

COMPANY NEWS IN BRIEF.

Green's Economiser Group Year to 31,1282 Pretax loss, £759,000 (22,81m profit, Stated earnings (loss) 8.5p (profit, 22.51p) Turnover, £36.81m (£32.13m) Net dividend, 2.675p (5,75p)

United Ceramic Distributors
Year to 31.12.82
Pretax profit, 241,000 (£20,000)
Stated earnings, 2.9p (2.0p)
Turnover, £5.06m (£4.58m)
%3! dividend, 3.0p (3.5p)

Eeauford Group Year to 31.12 82 Pretax profit, 2607,000 (2356.000)

Stated earnings, 11.6p (6.8p) Turnover, £7.57m (£5.45m) Net dividend, 3.5p (2.1p) ?//artoneir international Mathouar incommona Half-year to 31.1.83. Pretax profit, £1.82m (£1.81m). Turnover, £20.01m (£18.54m). Net interim dividend, 1.95p (1.95p). T. C. Harrison Year to 31.12.82. Pretax profit £3.0m (£2.88m). Stated earnings, 13.06d (13.03p). Turnover, £81.32m (£72.51m). Net dividend, 3.3p (3.1p).

Half-year (28 weeks) to 18.3.83. Pretax profit, £1.89m (£1.16m), Turnover, £68.85m (£63.16m), Net interim dividend, 2.5p (2.1p).

tM. P. Kent Haif-year to 31.12.82 Pretax profit, £740,000 (£2.56m). Stated earnings, 1.73p (6.2p). Turnover, £5.33m (£12.4m). Net Interim dividend, 0.36p (0.36p).

Year to 31,12,82. Pretex loss, £564,000 (£177,000 loss). Stated samings (loss) 8.8p (loss, Turnover, £11.91m (£12.9m). Net dividend, nii (nii).



Clydesdale Bank

BASE RATE

Clydesdale Bank PLC announces that with effect from April, 1983 its Base Rate for lending is being reduced from to 10% per

ANNUAL REPORT 1982

ACHIEVEMENT AND EXPANSION

It is a pleasure to present the Annual Report for 1982 which was a good year for Ultramar. We achieved record results with sales revenue of £1,513 million, cash flow from operations of £159 million, profit before taxation of £185 million and a net profit of £104 million. The figures were helped by the sterling, since most of our income continues to be in dollars.

The oil industry is in a slump and there is no indication that there will be a turnaround in the immediate future. The principal reason for the industry's present woes is the reduced demand for oil products.
This has led to excess production, refining, transportation and marketing facilities and brought about depressed profit margins. Ultramar's refining, marketing and shipping operations were adversely affected in 1982 and this will probably continue during 1983.

Your Board is recommending a final dividend of 9½p per Share, bringing total dividends paid out of 1982 profits to 15p per Share.

Capital expenditures for 1982 totalled £220 million and the 1983 estimate comes to £290 million. This year we expect to see completion of the Quebec Refinery upgrading, the doubling of the capacity of the Bontang Liquefied Natural Gas Plant in Indonesia and the first production from the North Sea Maureen Field. Our ship construction programme will not be completed until 1984; and further evaluation and delineation drilling will have to be undertaken to determine the commerciality of the discoveries from our exploration drilling programme.

The large capital expenditures in 1982, 1983 and 1984, plus the prospect of a new programme of capital expenditures beginning in the mid-eighties, have led us to carry out some major financing designed to strengthen our balance sheet and give us the financial flexibility to take advantage of opportunities for further expansion. The financing has included a long-term borrowing of approximately Can. \$200 million based on the Quebec Refinery and the recent Rights Issue which was very successful and gave us an injection of about £105 million of new equity money.

1978: £8-6 million .

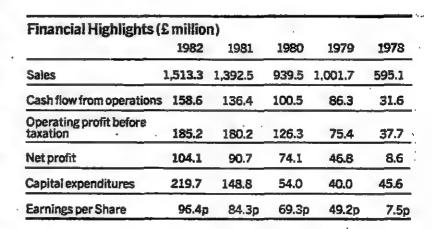
We have agreed in principle with Pittston Company to acquire its oil marketing subsidiary, Pittston Petroleum Inc., which sells approximately 90,000 barrels per day of petroleum products in the North Eastern United States and Eastern Canada. This potential acquisition will provide an extension of our Eastern Canadian refining and marketing operations into the North Eastern United States and is in line with our corporate objective to increase our investment in the United States.

We expect profits in the first half of 1983 to be affected by the unsettled oil market conditions, but there should be a pick-up in the second half when there will be some impact from our completed capital projects. We continue to be optimistic about 1984 and the long-term outlook for Ultramar.

Finally, I want to congratulate and thank our staff for their enthusiasm and dedication. The record of the Company is certainly testimony to their competence.

ARNOLD LORBEER

1979: £46-8 million





INCOMESTATEMENT

BALANCE SHEET

Broadstone Investment Trust

Public Limited Company Managed by J. Henry Schroder Wagg & Co. Limited

The Annual General Meeting was held at 120 Cheapside, London EC2 On Monday, 11 April, 1983

The following is a summary of the Report by the Directors for the year ended 31 December, 1982.

	1982	1981
Total Revenue	22,061,721	£1,87 <u>8,</u> 744
Revenue after taxation and expenses	21,114,098	£1,062,928
Earnings per Ordinary Share	7.86p	7.49p
Ordinary dividends for the year net per share	<u>7.85</u> p	7.45p
Net asset value per 20p Ordinary Share	340.9p	283.7p

Copies of the Report and Accounts are available from the Secretarie J. Henry Schroder Wagg & Co. Limited, 120 Cheanside, London EC2V 8DS.

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Anglo American Investment Trust Limited

Preliminary profit announcement and balance sheet and notice of final dividend on the ordinary shares

Subject to final audit, the income statement for the year ended March 31 1983 and the balance sheet at that date

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	Company and company	
Income from associated company	1983 R000 112 430	1982 R000 165 032
Dividends Share of retained profits	36 693	48 572
	75 737	116 460
Interest earned	23 066 1 545	22 172 1 597
Administration and other expenses	137 041 899	188 801 1 173
Taxation	136 142 694	187 628 651
Profit after taxation Proference dividends	135 448 300	186 977 300
Profit attributable to ordinary shareholders before extraordinary item	135 148	186 677
Extraordinary item: Share of associated company's extraordinary loss	4 624	-
	131 124	186 677
Ordinary dividends Interna No 85 of 150 cents per share Final No 86 of 440 cents per share	15 606 44 660	- 26 000 44 000
·	59 000	70 000
Retained profit	72 124 71 713	116 677 116 460
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Unappropriated profit, March 31 1983	4 909	4 498
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Earnings per ordinary share: Excluding share of retained profit of associated company - cents	594	702
Including share of retained profit of associated company - cents	1 351	1 867
Dividends per ordinary share - cents	590	700

Non-distributable reserve		1983 18000 19 000	1982 R000 10 000
Represented by: Interest in associated company	Capital Non-distributable reserve Distributable reserves,	438 865	
Interest in associated company Listed - Market value R851 394 000 (1982: R510 001 000) Investments Unlisted - Directors' valuation R78 923 000 (1982: R77 666 000) Loan portion of taxation 107 116 527 057 448 662 Current assets Debtors Holding company: Loans fixed and at call - Anglo American Corporation of South Africa Limited Cash at bank Current liabilities Shareholders for dividend Creditors Shareholders for dividend Creditors 14000 120 44000 120		528 574	456 450
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Debtors		527 057	448 662
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The company's share of the retained profit, net of extraordinary loss, of its only associated company, De Beers on solidated Mines Limited, is transferred to non-distributable reserve.

It is expected that the forty-seventh annual report of the company in respect of the year ended March 1982 will despatched to members on or about April 29 1983.

FINAL DEVIDEND

On April 14 1983 a final dividend (No. 86) of 440 cents per ordinary share (1982: 440 cents) for the year ended March 31 1983, was declared payable on June 10 1983 to shareholders registered in the books of the company at the close of business on May 6 1983. This dividend, together with the interim dividend of 150 cents per share declared on October 7 1982, makes a total of 590 cents per share for the year ended March 31 1983 (1982: 700

The ordinary share transfer registers and registers of members will be closed from May 7 to 27 1983, both days inclusive, and warrants will be posted from the Johannesburg and United Kingdom offices of the transfer secretaries on or about June 9 1983. Registered shareholders paid from the United Kingdom will receive the United Kingdom currency equivalent on May 9 1983 of the rand value of their dividends (less appropriate taxes). Any such shareholders may, however, elect to be paid in South African currency, provided that any such request is received at the offices of the company's transfer secretaries on or before May 6 1983.

The effective rate of non-resident shareholders' tax is 14.8891 per cent.

The dividend is payable subject to conditions which can be inspected at the head and London offices of the company and also at the offices of the company's transfer secretaries, Consolidated Share Registrars Limited, 1st Floor, Edura, 40 Commissioner Street, Johannesburg 2001 (P.O. Box 61051, Marshalltown 2107) and Charter Consolidated P.L.C., P.O. Box 102, Charter House, Park Street, Ashford, Kent TN24 8EQ.

By order of the board ANGLO AMERICAN CORPORATION OF SOUTH AFRICA LIMITED

Company and associated

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Head Office 44 Main Street April 15 1983

Number of ordinary shares in issue.

London Office

Vickers hopeful of £120m US Navy order

THE TIMES FRIDAY APRIL 15 1983

Navy for ship stabilizing equip-ment which has proved success-The immedi

Campaign.

A delegation from Brown which makes the system in profits from last year's £3.5m to Edinburgh, is expected to meet £5.5m this year on a turnover of US Navy officials next month to discuss installing the stabilizers in a new class of destroyer.

Next to discuss installing the stabilizers in a new class of destroyer.

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guided missile carrying frigates. ships' fighting potential in the But after the stabilizers' success Falklands' campaign by steady-under severe conditions in the ralklands, and its pilot trials vickers' plans for the marine with the US Navy, Brown engineering division also in-

year.

However, the real prize is a company launches a bid for an contract to fit the stabilizers, as yet unnamed offshore comwhich cost £500,000 a set, on pany in the United States a new class of 7,000-ton within the next two months.

Vickers marine engineering destroyers planned by the US division is fighting to win Navy, which is expanding its £120m of orders from the US fleet by 200 vessels over the

The immediate benefit of the A delegation from Brown

The marine engineering diviBrothers, a Vickers subsidiary sion is likely to increase pretax

Brown Brothers has already Ministry of Defence letter secured £20m of orders to commending the stabilizers supply the US Navy with 34 performance. The ministry said stabilizer sets for the FFG-7 that the stabilizers enhanced the that the stabilizers enhanced the

Brothers is hoping to acquire clude an expansion of its contracts for up to 200 more offshore oil-related activities. The division has been identified The US Navy is likely to as a core activity within the tender for 20 more stabilizer group and has priority for sets for the FFG-7 later this investment. The first signs of

Profits up by £1m at Austin Reed

By Jonathan Clare

Austin Reed, now back to the profit levels of five years ago, Pretax profit 23.3m (22.0m) Stated earnings 9.8p (5.8p) Turnover 246.9m (244.8m) Net dividend 4.5p (3.38p) with a £1.3m pretax rise to £3.3m in the year to January 31, is much more optimistic about the future with better sales and

Sales in British shops were up by about 7.5 per cent with the market rather than encroach on first two months of this year seeing a similar increase. With traditional Austin Reed terrimargins little changed, profits are likely to be up roughly in branches are being opened

The closure of the Swedish operation helped profits after the previous year's loss of £185,000, but with the closure of the Dublin store, the rationalization reduced overseas turnover by £2m to £4m.

Austin Reed is aware of the This year Austin Reed will attempts by other chains like benefit from lower interest rates Hepworth and Burton Group to which reduce the cost of its move their ranges up market. customer credit scheme and But it believes they will also put more buying power in concentrate on the casual the hands of its customers.

Hongkong

deficit

warning

Recovery at Albert Martin

Share price 158p, up 15p. Yiel

More womenswear Options

within menswear branches but

it is difficult to calculate their

profit contribution because the menswear shops bear all the overheads. Profits from the Netherlands' three shops im-

proved greatly, more so than in

By Our Financial Staff

Less than two months after Albert Martin Holdings delivering The Hongkong Governments budget for the Year to \$1.12.82 Pretax profit £667,000 (£282,000 financial year that began on April 1, the Financial Secretary Stated earnings 6.32p (loss, 6.73p). Turnover £28.87m (28.56m). Net dividend 2.0p (0.1p). said yesterday that the deficit widen another HK\$1.000m (£100m) Albert Martin, the Notting HK\$4,200m.

In a speech before ham-based textile company, is legislative council, Mr John unlikely to turn in a spectacular Bremridge made the revised estimate, adding that as a result profit this year, but 1982's firm recovery after two years o the government may need to losses is likely to continue Pretax profits were £667,000 against a £282,000 loss. further increase takes to help narrow the budget shortfalls.

The governments budget for the year that ended March 31 turing to profit, the climination produced a HK\$3,800m deficit. of the lossmaking distribution and wholesaling business and increased profits from the Far The Financial Secretary slightly revised the revenue and expenditure figures in his speech East turned the company round yesterday, saying that the gap was actually HK\$300m less He said these funds, however,

would be transferred to the capital works reserve, leaving the year-end deficit unchanged. He had predicted a HK\$2,800m surplus for the just-completed financial year, but a sharp economic reversal turned that into the first deficit

in eight years. Mr Bremridge said, however that the reserves would fall to HK\$4,300m for 1984-85 if the government does not institute further tax increases. In his February

speech he enacted HK3,00m in ndirect tax increases Mr Bremridge called the expected level of free reserves HKS4,300m dangerously low. He added several comment indicating that the government is giving even more serious

consideration to commercial borrowing to cover the revenus shortfalls.

last year. Lower interest rates also helped together with borrowings down from £4.3m to £3.7m.
The dividend is the first full payment since 1979.

Base

Lending

Rates

The return of UK manufac

ABN Bank 1012%
Barclays 10 %
BCCI 10½%
Consolidated Crds 101/2%
C. Hoare & Co
Lloyds Bank 101/2%
Midland Bank 10 %
Nat Westminster 101/2%
TSB 10½%
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But Mr Shad told the House Subcommittee on Consumer Protection and Finance that he ful during last year's Falklands order will be shown in the that might weaken the proposal, Vickers balance sheet this year. which the Commission voted to could accept important changes support last year.

The changes involve inserting definition of insider trading, which could narrow the scope of prosecutions, and stiffening the legal standard for proving the charge of insider trading. The possible shift in position surprised some subcommittee

Insider trading involves the improper use of corporate information, such as data on earnings or dividends, or market information, such as knowing of a takeover attempt or tender offer, to buy or sell shares to make a profit or avoid

Under present law and egulations, the commission can bring a civil enforcement action against an individual, but can force him only to disgorge the profits made on the use of the insider information. This proposal would allow the commission to seek penalties up to three times the profit from the

Despite these differences comission officialls - members of the subcommittee, Mr Timothy Wirth, and industry representatives agreed that Raising the penalties for insider

Insider trading continues, despite vigorous enforcement efforts, because it presented an opportunity to reap huge profits with little risk, Mr Shad said.

Shad, in explaining his willingness to consider changes, said that people in the industry had raised serious questions about the proposal since the Commission endorsed it last autumn. He agreed to work out

also urged this approach. Mr stiffer standard for proving Wirth however, said the move insider trading. At present the to define insider trading was commission must show a being advocated by a number of people who were going to ensure that, if there were treble damages, they would write a definition that would handcuff should have a clear and

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the commission and would raise convincing standard.

On the legal standard issue Mr John M. Fedders, director of the Division of Enforcement said that he could accept a preponderance of evidence. The Securities Industry Association and others suggested that for the triple damages the Commission

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REA BROTHERS PLC

SIR WALTER SALOMON'S STATEMENT AT THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY, 14th APRIL, 1983

I am pleased to be able to report that Rea Brothers Pic and its subsidiary companies have again had a good year. The disclosed profit for the year ended 31st December, 1982 after taxation and after making a transfer to inner reserves is £851,000. The comparable figure for the year ended 31st December, 1981

An interim dividend of 0.45p has been paid on each ordinary share and your directors now propose a final dividend of 0.8p making a total distribution for the year of 1.25p per ordinary share costing £338,000. ect of 1981 were equival in total £315,000.

The consolidated balance sheet of the group again shows a very strong position. You will notice that the share capital and published reserves are £8,250,000 (1981 £7,777,000). Current, deposit and other accounts are £148,325,000 (1981 £133,946,000). Current assets are £94,569,000 (1981 £86,522,000) and loans, advances and other accounts £51,425,000 (1981 £48,427,000). Our leasing business continues to grow, assets leased to customers being £8,473,000 (1981 £6,356,000) however acceptances show a small reduction at £16,209,000 (1981 £17,383,000). Balance sheet totals are E171,000,000 (1981 £159,314,000).

I am sure that chareholders will be pleased with the results now presented to them and the balance sheet of the group at 31st December, 1982 which both show growth during a year of many difficulties in the economic sector. It gives me great pleasure to report to you that it has not been necessary to make any provision in our accounts in respect of non-performing loans because we do not have any. Our subsidiary companies have increased their contribution to group profits and in particular Rea Brothers (Guernsey), Rea Brothers (Isle of Man) and Copleys Limited have had good years.

Directors and Staff

There has been no change in the composition of your board since the last Annual General Meeting. The members of our staff in London, Guernsey and the Isle of Man have worked hard and well during the year and it is due to their dedication that we are able to produce such favourable results. On behalf of the hoard and shareholders I should like to thank them.

Copies of the 1982 Report and Accounts and the General Observations made by the Chairman on the 'Origin and Cure of the International Banking Crisis' at the Annual General Meeting may be obtained from the Secretary, Rea Brothers Pic, King's House, 36-37 King Street, London EC2V 8DR.

M. P. KENT plc

Property Development and Investments

INTERIM STATEMENT

Interim report for the six months ended 31st December 1982 (unaudited).

	6 Months to	
	31.12.82	31.12.81
	£'000	£'000
Sales	5,336	12,403
Profit before Taxation	740	2,662
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Profit after Taxation	740	2,662
Cost of Interim Dividend	154	154
Earnings per Share	1.73p	6.2p

Interim Dividend proposed of 0.36p per Ordinary Share. It was announced at our Annual General Meeting on 19th November last that more emphasis would be placed on the retention of selected property developments for investment income.

This has therefore affected our sales and profit, but will be compensated by the build up of more consistent quality rental income and longer term capital growth.

Our major property developments, previously announced, are substantially completed and lettings proceeding. We are now embarking on a new development programme, involving prime enclosed shopping centres, where we see tenant demand and future growth.

Although liquidity remains strong and the Company has no borrowings, it is hoped - at the appropriate time and subject to market conditions - to raise fixed rate term financing for our future property funding.

M. P. Kent, Chairman



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Higher inflation after a Tory victory forecast

This is despite the pursuit of

Higher import prices, sharp

preclude any substantial tax

negotiating "with several inter-ested parties in the United Kingdom and the United

States" about the future of the

remaining parts of Altergo notably Altergo Software which

has significant involvement in

"Because that business

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A re-elected Conservative year to 13.4 per cent in 1985, growth of real incomes, slowing government would preside over Inflation, it says, will rise from higher inflation, sluggish econ- an average of 6.2 per cent this omic growth and a further year to a peak of just over 9 per increase in unemployment, cent next spring, with little according to forecasts released slackening afterwards. yesterday by DRI Europe, the consulting group, released yes- tight fiscal policies, which

The group, which assumes a cuts.
Conservative victory in an Hi growth of 1.9 per cent this year; home and an end to the rising to 2.4 per cent next year, temporary effects of interest but subsiding to 1.8 per cent in

Adult unemployment is expected by the group to rise from 12 per cent of the workforce this

Datalogic to buy main parts of Altergo

Datalogic, a British computer redundant earlier this week systems company owned by the They will trade as a separate American Raytheon group, will-buy the main part of Altergo, the software house that went unit under the Altergo name within the Datalogic organization. The price paid was not into receivership last week. The receivers said they were

The receivers. Mr Ipe Jacob and Mr Maurice Withall of London accountants Thornton Baker, had offers from many in Britain and the United States. They had to negotiate very quickly before Altergo's 275 employees - the vital asset of the business -

dispersed to other jobs.
Datalogic is buying the two largest subsidiaries. Altergo Limited and Altergo Business Systems, and has offered employment for nearly all of their Altergo Software, Mr Jacob and 150 staff who were made Mr Withall said yesterday.

rate falls and artificially de- ation plans. Sir Geoffrey now pressed public sector prices will admitted that the lower pound all combine to push up inhad boosted competitiveness flation, DRI says. and improved the economic Higher inflation will restrain

Russians cut cheap cruises

the rise in economic activity,

The DRI forecasts were

presented to a conference on the

European Economic Outlook

where Mr Jack Straw, Labour

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DRI believes ruling out

From John Earle, Rome Soviet cruise ships offering cut-price holidays from Italian ports are to be limited as a esult of talks in Moscov beween Italian shipowners, represented by Signor Nicola Costa, and the Soviet organiza-

Signor Costa, chairman of osta Armatori, which runs Italy's biggest private fleet of cruise ships, said the Russians had agreed to a maximum of 250 cruising days this year accumulated by Soviet-crewedships chartered to Italian

In 1984, the limit would be urther reduced to 200 days. This compared with more than 340 days accumulated last year by Soviet ships carrying on a verage 600 passengers.

The Russians, Signor Costa added, had also agreed to hold a meeting by the end of March each year, between their organi-zation and the Italian shipowners' organization, Confitarma, to approve a charter programme of Soviet ships for the subsequent year.

They also gave a general undertaking to limit to the 1982 level, the resale of berths on the Italian market which were available. on Soviet ships chartered to other foreign operators, particularly West Gérman

Last-quarter loss hits Morgan Crucible

By Peter Wilson-Smith

Morgan Crucible Year to 31.12.83 Pretax profit £4.72m (£8.07m). Stated earnings 3.5p (10.5p). Turnover £152m (£133m). Net final dividend 4p, making 7.5p (7.5p). Share price 109p, up 3p. Dividend payable 15.7.83

Morgan Crucible, the indus trial components and materials company, slipped into losses in the final quarter to end the year with pretax profits down by 42 per cent to £4,72m. After nine months of the year the group was showing a profit of £5.1m.

However Morgan believes the worst is over and is maintaining its final dividend at 4p to leave the year's payout unchanged at 7.5p.

Sir James Spooner, chairman, said that although there was little sign of substantial world wide economic recovery, the improvements being experi-enced in the United Kingdom and America were encouraging the value of the pound was also helpful since two-thirds of the group's sales were overseas.

"There was a false dawn at this time last year butcurrent indications are that most economies in which Morgan operates have either stabilized or are improving." Sir James said. He added that this, together with the determination to stay competitive, was why the board decider to hold the

Most of Morgan's divisions reported lower trading profits last year. One exception was Inbrication where profits rose from £2.1m to £2.3m

Net finance charges were also up last year, increasing from £4.02m to £5.11m. Because of the poor demand worldwide in the final quarter,

Morgan carried out plans to cut domestic overheads at a cost of £750,000 and the numbber of employees have been reduced.

Trading profits last year were reduced by a total of £1.27m reflecting redundancy and reor-

ganization costs. This compared with a charge of £961,000 the previous year's

The group's cost-cutting measures will also mean less disclosure to shareholders.

BOXING: EUROPEAN CHAMPION BYPASSES BRITON Bugner hits on a royal road to the world crown

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Joe Bugner's prospects of compet-ing for any sort of title in the Indian summer of his career seem to be receding. He learnt yesterday that

the European champson, Lucien Rodriguez, of France, has over-looked the cheque-book proferred by the London promoter. Frank Warren, and instead will defend his title against his fellow countryman, Sylvain Watbled, on May 26.

Before Bugner can make serious Before Bugner can make serious noises about a world title engagement with Larry Holmes he needs to reestablish himself in the top 10 of the World Boxing Council rankings. Acquisition of the European championship would make this possible, for Rodrignez himself has just earned £100,000 as an opponent for Holmes in a tedious, one-way engagement in the champion's home town of Scranton, New Jersey.
In order to take that contest

Rodriguez excused himself from a proposed meeting with the 33-year-old Bugner. Now he has done so again, rejecting an offer of £40,000 from Mr Warren.

opposition during his "comeback."
Yesterday Bugner sparred three rounds with the 25-year-old Swedish heavyweight, Anders Ekland, who has won all his five professional contest and is being touted as a "white hope." Ekland, who weights nearly 17 stones and is 6ft 5½ in tall, is based in Copenhagen because professional boxing is banned in Sweden. He will be appearing in a supporting bout at the Alexandra Pavilion on Wednesday and should be worth comparing with Britain's young prospect, Bruno, So, just as he did in frustration with Frank Bruno, Bugner has decided to forget all about Mr Rodriguez. Instead he will try to short-circuit the rankings by beating

an American, Danny Sutton, at the Alexandra Pavilion on Wednesday and then the former world title contender, Randy (Tex) Cobb, on June 8 at the same venue. Cobb is accorded seventh place in one of the several boxing ranking lists, and Busner claims. "He will be tougher opposition than Rodriguez but I think he will be easier to read because he stands in front of you while Rodriguez is always running. I see next Wednesday's bout as a quarter-final and the one with Cobb as a semi-final for an eventual match with Holmes." Bugner and his promoter believe that the importation of Cobb will satisfy those who have been sceptical about the standard of opposition during his "comeback."

Snubbed again: Joe Bugner

SHOOTING

Scots short of shot at new range

By Our Rifle Shooting Correspondent

Thirty of Britain's leading pistol marksmen will be at Bisley tomorrow for an inaugural team match after Dickie Jeeps, the chairman of the Sports Council, opens the National Rifle Association's new pistol range.

The new range, built at a cost of £95,000 with a 75 per cent grant from the Sports Council, will almost double Bisley's previously overworked pistol shooting facilities.

It provides an additional 30 target spaces at 25 and 50 metres and tomorrow's match between 10 teams of three will involve precision and duelling centrefire at 25 yards

Competitors include the reigning British champion, John Cooke, the police rapid fire champion, Graham Harvey, most of the top inter-nationals, and teams representing Army, Police, England, Wales, and Scotland

exacts injury toll From Joyce Whitehead, Knala Lumput A second-half burst of goals gave England a 3-2 win over New Zealand and a place at the top of their group in the women's World Cup vesterday.

After a goaliess first half, England took a 2-0 lead, Jane Swinerton (Staffordshire) finished off a lovely Young scored in the ninth minute and Second half and the lead with the second half and Sally Manly equalized for Wales.

On Wednesday evening Scotland drew 1-1 with Australia. Marsali Young scored in the ninth minute and Second half and the lead with the

HOCKEY

England's burst

place in the semi-mais raced when they drew 1-1 in a pedestrian game. Joan Dobie gave Scotland the lead midway through the second half and Sally Manly equalized for Wales. On Wednesday evening Scotland drew 1-1 with Australia. Marsali Young scored in the ninth minute and Secolated when the lead until the (Staffordshire) finished off a lovely passing movement between Robanson and Gordon for the first goal and Linda Carr (Lancashire) lifted the ball towards goal and a New Zealander inadvertently belped it into the net for the second. New Zealand's Jenny McDonald reduced the arrears before Ruth Hine (Surrey) came on in place of Barbara Hambly and soon scored England's third goal. nan equalized.
At the same time Wales kept up

their improvement and drew I-I with India. Shirley Morgan scored WORLD CUP: Canada 2, West Germany 1; USSR 1, Amentine 9; Septend 3, New Zeeland 2; Scotlend 1, Wates 1.



and Scotland kept the lead until the 60th minute when Sharon Bucha-

Benefits accruing from TV coverage

By Robert Pryce

The British Championship sched-ule is fixed, at last, virtually to everybody's satisfaction. Cleveland Bombers play Durham Wasps home and away this weekend and at Streatham the following Friday. The next day at Streatham, the winners will play Dundee Rockets in the championship final. The two games at Streatham will be televised for

A complex formula has been devised to ensure that the Cleve-land-Durham series remains competitive for all three games. It will be possible for a team to lose two of the three games and still qualify for the final, an in elegant contortion designed to accommodate the tele-

The British game has not always appeared so cooperative towards television's requirements, "A lot of the clubs do not yet realise the impac they can make through television." John Davis, Thames Television's head of sport, observed "I hope that will set sorted." served. "I hope that will get sorted out for next season."

out for next season."

The benefits in sponsorship and public interest that can accompany television coverage did not impress Ken Bailey, manager of the Altrincham rink and a member of the British Ice Hockey Association council, who baniked at plans to televise two Thursday evening games at Altrincham last month.

Everything appeared to have been arranged, including rink-side advertising, when Mr Bailey informed Granada, the television company, that he would not cancel public skating sessions or instructional periods so that lighting could be

Granada withdrew, vowing never to return. Graham Nurse the local club's leading administrator resigned. He is now helping to set up a club in a new rink planned for Rochdale.

Nevertheless, ITV plan to take up

their option on a second season of coverage. The ice hockey that the network has managed to show has been favourably received. "The ratings overall have been incredible." Mr Davis said, "And I have never known a sport on relevision never known a sport on televisiou which has had such a response," Now the sport is about to benefit financially from its televisual impact. On Monday the BIHA will announce details of a contract it has

just signed with a big sponsor for next season's British League. The deal should bolster the stock of the BIHA, never very high among its member clubs, and shore up the structure of the British League,

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Spring in the air but still a frost on the ground

There is something ever so subtly silly about the idea of trampolining. Not with the actuality, oh no, certainly not. When you see these finely honed athletics taking off like roman candles, spinning like catherine wheels among the rafters, you catch your breath in admiration and astonishment. Trampolining as a sport involves almost impossibly high, levels of skill, power and sheer terror, yet it cannot shake off a background taste of frivolity, its associations with pinging bed-

springs and dorm romps.

At its highest level, this sport is one of dazzling pyrotechnics controlled with an iron will, and when the world champion, Carl Furrer, and his young pre-tender, Glenn Kelly, of Austra-lia, locked horns at the Sou-thern Area Championships there was a surfeit of delights to granify both the purist and the seeker of sensation.

It was a clasic duel, with Furrer returning from an eight month break from competition, pitting his lethally sharp technique against the amiable Australian who sought to compensate for technical short-comings by outdoing the cham-pion in the heroics department.

Soft landings

Kelly nad left Australia to compete in Britain because Britain is the world's leading trampolining nation. That is because Britain takes it seriously as a sport in its own right, even though nobody pings up and down in the Olympic Games. The trampoline is an Games. The trampoline is an American invention, but trampolining got a bad name there. Bouncing became a craze, you weren't any one if you didn't have a trampoline by the poolside and a pair of crutches to help you walk after you'd broken your leg on the damn thing.

thing.

A lot of people got themselves hurt by being stupid and not realising that if you are 30 feet above your target you don't have a lot of margin for error. In Britain, a trampoline became the first resort of school sports departments with a spot left over in the budget, and here it was taken seriously, and the dangers circumnavigated. At HMS Temeraire, the Navy's physical education base where physical education base where the Southern Area Open was taking place, the tramps were mainstream gymnastics, no-surrounded by soft landing tably with the spectacular stuff, and though there were a spinning dismounts from the few major miscalculations, no-

Federation's press man, Tony own errors for a brief period Hull said: "It's our system of the trampoline was introduced bringing on youngsters by as the seventh item in the

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third goal.

Calamity nearly struck England in the closing minutes. Vicky Dixon was injured and replaced by Mary Allen, New Zealand scored again and then Kim Gordon (Leicestershirs).

shire) appeared to be injured. England had already used their three

substitutes, but the hooter sounder to save them from further punish

Why trampolining fails to take off

ent. Scotland's and Wales's hopes of a

organizing competitions in age groups that makes us the best. Take Andrea Holmes. Her first major competition outside England was the world championships in Montana last year. and at one stage she was sixth. And though she blew it in her final round, and finished 10th, when it comes to the next world championships, in Osaka in 1984, she is going to be something to be reckoned with." Andrea Holmes is 13.

Britain is good at the sport, and there is great flooding of interest at the schools, with plenty of gym teachers able to coach trampolining at the basic levels, and a good network of clubs across the county to bring people on. There is even one professional coach, Brian Phelps, who got the taste for bouncing when in training for Olympic diving competitions.

But for all his efforts and the efforts of trampolining enthusi-asts across the world, the sport, for all its dizzy-making skills. remains a strict minority activity; the poor relation of gymnastics. A day at HMS Temeraire makes it clear that something has gone completely and stupidly wrong here.

Though gymnastics and trampolining are blood brothers. there was a familial disagreement a long way back, and the road split many a mile ago. Both sports are the poorer for the parting, but the chances of their coming together again seem achingly remote. The division is no longer a matter of rancour or disagreement it is simply a fait accompli.

"Trampolining is a fantastic sport," said Nick Stuart, director of technical development with the British Amateur Gymnastics Association. "We use trampolines a lot in training, and so do the Russians. It's a sport that requires courage, skill and accuracy. In some ways an amalgamation would make sense, but frampolining has become a specialized sport

Spectacular

Trampolining has influenced high bar and the rings, but as one was actually hurt.

From the schools, the effort the two are likely to get. Gymnastics seems all set in its



Aerial artistry: Glenn Kelly, world number two, bouncing or high. Photograph by Peter Trievnor

men's programme but it was removed again. Seven was too many. The extraordinarily tedious and apparently nonsensical skills of shuffling about on a pommel horse, and the sickening spectacle of little girls turning on immaculately coached pixie smiles as they skip about on the floor to music, hold the attention of those involved in the mainstream sport of gymnastics.

There are tremendous things to watch in gymnastics as well as silly ones, sure enough, but trampolining pared of synthetic charm and bursting with quite spectacular daring and zeal, seems somehow to have blown it for the moment. Which is why the Southern Open was at HMS Temeraire, a well organized competitors competition, rather than a crowd grabbing spectacle at the Wembley Arena.

Yet there was plenty to grab crowds. Kelly, the death-defying Australian, was matching his spectacular range of shimmer-

ing green and gold competition vests with a yet more dazzling display od aerial tricks, opening his voluntary routine with a triple backward somersault and following this with the second of his 10 permitted bounces, a triple going the opposite way. "Very Australian," said Scales.

Twitching

Up in the stratosphere, between the rafters, he was earning marks for every bodily twitch, I mark for each quarter somersault and each half twist. Yet it was not enough. Furrer answered with precision, pinging off that red cross in the middle of the bed every time, surrounded by the rapt insiders of this sport. But even for an outsider it was a grand contest, as Furrer's razored skills won the event to conclude a tremendous day of sport. You left HMS Temeraire with a

Simon Barnes

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Britons lead in bridging the generation gap

From John Hennessy, Golf Correspondent, Port el Kantaou

one year's duration) launches the new professional golf season. Ian Mosey, Michael McLean and Tom Sieckman, of the United States, all scored 68, four inder par for the scored 68, four inder par for the 7,200 yards El Kantzoui course, one stroke ahead of the holder, Antonio

Garrido of Spain. Mosey, from Manchester, aged 31, a late developer who has nudged his way to the fore, mostly in foreign his way to the fore, mostly in foreign climes, in the last couple of years. McLean, from Kent, by contrast turned professional at 19 only last year. He looks even younger than his years but there is a golfing head on his shoulders. He took advantage of a temporary rule to use a driver for his second to the long fifteenth (580 yards) and get home for a birdie four.

Leading scores

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P Townsend (GB), R Stophens (Aus), G Garido
(Sp), M McKaruzo (GB), H Clark (GB), 74: E
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(GB), M Les (GB), A O'Commor (Ire), N Mitchell

EQUESTRIANISM

Tucker in lead on **Dalwhinnie**

By Jenny MacArthur

Michael Tucker and Mrs R H Arden's Dalwhinnie are the over-night leaders at the end of the first day of dressage at the Badminton horse trials. Tucker, the second to go, had a score of 57 marks, which put him 2.8 marks ahead of Jessica Harrington of Ireland on Amoy. Tucker, who competed Badminton last year on Dalwhinnie and was last year on Dalwhinnie and was also seventh at Burghley, has a second ride tomorrow on General Bugle. His overnight lead is some compensation for his wife, Angela, who missed her ride on Willow Pattern after he failed the vet's

inspection.
Captain Mark Phillips' 63.6
marks on Classic Lines, put him
into sixth position. He said
afterwards that he was pleased with the test, but was surprised at the discrepancy of the marks. Of the three judges, Anton Buhler, the experienced Swiss judge, marked consistently more severely than his collections. fellow judges. Dr. B. Sociogora from Germany and Michael Bullen

Karen Straker, the younges competitor, performed a pleasing test on Running Benr, to gain 67.8 marks in her first ever Badminton.

Despite the glorious spring sunshine it was a low key start to the Trial as many of the top competitors, including Lucinda Green on Regal Realm, and Beagle Bay, are drawn to do their dressage and for him to continue driving for

Trial director, that the cross-country resources. Course is if anything less severe than usual. Hugh Thomas, who rides Merganser II, says it is the most difficult since 1980. He thinks that very few riders will take the quickest route through fence 11, the Pig Stye.

Two British players of different vintage and a familiar American figure occupied the leading positions yesterday after the first round of the Tunisan Open championship, which by tradition (so far of one year's duration) launches the shot finished in a bare patch the size shot finished in a bare patch the size of a squash court, but a con-veniently placed blade or two of grass allowed him to tee the ball up a little and he fetched it a stupendous blow with his driver.

The making of Mosey, it seems was the time he failed to win the South African Open three winters ago. He had two putts for the title from 15 feet, took three and, predictabley, lost the play-off to Gary Player. Mosey went back the following year, on the strength of following year, on the strength of three lesser victories in the North of England, determined to prove he was no choser. He won three

was no choser. He won three tournaments there as well.

Sieckman, embarking upon his third season in Europe, uses the new-langled type putter with the shaft connected to the toe. His round might be thought to be a tribute to its effectiveness, with a string of single putts. But elsewhere he took three putts three times and on one occasion none at all when he chipped in.

on one occasion none at all when he chipped in.

The shot of the day was a screaming three wood to the ninth by Magnus Persson, a 17-year-old Swede playing his first tournament round (70) after turning professional. The hole is said to measure 630 yards and even if that is an exaggeration and even if that hard fairways gave the ball plenty of extra run it was a prodigious blow to get home, in fact, pin high to the right, in two. He is only 5ft 9in and 10 stone, a combination of make the 36-hole cut.

Mosey: late developer undging to the fore

What had gone wrong? "If I knew that" he said "I would stop doing it". His driver had behaved tolerably well apart from putting him out of bounds at the long ninth in the field, was shrugging his sad way and costing him a seven. But his irons betrayed him time after time going out, either missing the target altogether with the long shots or gaiving him no chance with a single putt at the shorter ones.



YACHTING

Six-million dollar challenger

Naples, Italy (Reuter) - Azzurra, a 12-metre yacht built to challengo the United States for the America's Cup, will soon cross the Atlantic to New York on board an Italian

freighter.

The sleek, blue, 30-ton yacht is due to arrive in New York harbour in late April and will then be transported by road to the clegant resort of Newport, Rhode Island, site for the America's Cup challenger trials starting on June 18. The winner of the trials will compete in the best-of-seven-race America's Cup series in September.

Skibinska, admitted. But it's very important for us to be there."

The Italian effort is being financed by a consortium of 17 states in May where they face leading names in Italian industry, led by the Aga Khan, developer of the Costa Smeralda resort on the Island of Sardinia. The programme is budgeted to cost \$6m and The Azzurra team have swared no. The Azzura team have spared no expense for their America's Cup challenge, boying Enterprise the former US cup contender, for use as

challenger trials starting on June 18.

The winner of the trials will compete in the best-of-seven-race America's Cup series in September.

Britain, Australia, Canada, Sweden and France will also be competing in the trials for the right to face the Americans, who have held the trophy since the inaugural race in 1851.

"We don't expect it to be easy for us in America," Azzurra official, more than 200 race successes,

the American entry.

The Azzurra takes its name from the dark Bine colours worn by Italian national sports teams, made famous by the footballers

Ricci and his crew put the boat through a series of final trials against the Enterprise late last month in an attempt to simulate as closely as possible the racing conditions expected off Newport. And the Azzurra crew went weightlifting and jogging at an Italian Olympic sports centre in Formia after each exhausting day on

MOTOR RACING

Arrows cannot afford to pay fee for Jones

From John Blunsden, Le Castellet

Eponsorship

us before a major sponsor has been Many riders did not share the secured would place an unaccept-view of Lt-Col Frank Weldon, the able financial drain on the team's

The Formula One Commission
The team have secured relatively modest local sponsorship from an amusement park for the race. The Australian's car will be taken over by Chico Serra, of Brazil. Jones has been did drive an Arrows car once a acreed to drive an Arrows car once a special refuelling on the grounds of case the position. Next year all refuelling will be banned. This Renault, Ferrari and Alfa Romeo have applied for refuelling facilities advantage in starting with half-full tanks and running on softer tyres, come teams seem determined not to

Alan Jones is out of the French until the end of May," he said. "At Grand Prix on Sunday because his which time we will make a reassessment of the situation. This may even include me considering a return to Australia. Oliver is not so pessimistic:

"Alan's two performances in the car have produced so much interest that we are optimistic about being able to have him driving with us again at the next race at Imola."

Quite a number of other

dressings as the Connemara Black and the Invicta, that are a kind of magic. The wet fly is a conjuring



Jones: out of the race

protection clothing for all their personnel or will have the skill to refuel rapidly in confined space.

route through fence 11, the Pig Stye.

RESULTS: 1, Dewnhole (M Tucker) 57; 2, Amoy (J Harrington) 53-8; 3, Solder Bue (W White) 61-2; 5, The Aposia (E de Haar) 62-2; 5, Elg Fry E Purbleck) 62-6; 6, Classic Lines (M Phillips) 63-8.

by any means to have discovere this, nor would be claim to have

idea takes a lot of getting used to.

Quite a buzz about the spider and the fly

Trout fishing begins at varying times, late on the chalk streams, carly on the spate rivers, but Easter is traditionally the time when there is mass invasion of eager anglers and lakes, all filled with the exuberance that comes with the concenning of the season after the large.

They are emblems of light and air. They hackle suggests life and the williustrated, is none other than the fillustrated, is none other than the williustrated, is none other than the movement. The light and the changing involvement after with the changing involvement after with the changing incomes and with the silver rib and with the silver rib removed going back at least to the early 1800s. Thus far have we made by any means to have discovered. exuberance that comes with the opening of the season after the long-dark days of winter.

An interesting speculation, but but from a Midland reservoir but from the season after the long-days of the season af

An interesting speculation, but there are signs, perhaps glimpses fisherman in the current number of might be the right word, of Trout Fisherman in the current number of something happening to the lake headline to the article, dispelling fisherman. A mood is stirring. One hears of it through friends. One is the occasional paragraph in the angling journals. Is the vogue for imitative patterns, the deceivers, replicas of nymphs and pupae intricately and elaborately designed as copies of the real insect, in fur and feather and plastic, falling out of fashion?

but from a Midland reservoir fisherman in the current number of Trout Fisherman in the current number of Irour Fisherman in the curlent Fisherman in the current number of

when he abandoned the sea trout will he remain so after destroying and salmon flies of his day in favour of trying to create upon the hook most cherished beliefs? The soider

ship sponsored by Celestion loud-speakers at Queen's club yesterday. He beat Shannon Hazell, the Wellington professional, by 15-6, 17-14, the loser holding three points for the last game, but never being given much chance of winning

any of them.

There is, as yet, no sign of a change in the pecking order at this game. All eight seeded players reached the quarter finals without being seriously challenged. From what has hypnened over the past

head of the pack. Boone has not game.

RACKETS

Boone in the semi-final

By Roy McKelvie

William Boone, the number two beaten Prenn since he won the seeded player, reached the semi-final of the open rackets champion-

what has happened over the past few years, John Prenn, the holder, and Boone, remain Solidly at the sense, most necessary assets at this

of fashion? same man who wrote the headline, It started, you may remember, that Mr Cove... "remains the hero with Dr Bell of Blagdon in the 1920s. of thousands of trout anglers", but

These two are followed by

Randail Crawley, Mark and Paul Nicholls. Crawley is the stylist – a Lionel Palairet if you read Alan Gibson – but without much body

to his game. The Nicholls brothers

are the more robust challengers.

strong and vigorous but certainly not Palairets or C B Frys.

Then come the professionals Norwood Cripps of Eton and Haze

who, when not beng overwhelmed by Boone, show that he has the

sense, most necessary assets at this

This is what Mr Cove must have discovered about spiders. They do not copy the buzzer pupa in the least. There is no elaborate abdomen and thorax or little bits of white stuff to imitate the breathing white stuff to imitate the breathing chairman, has died in hospital at the transport succeeded his father as their chairman, has died in hospital at the transport succeeded his father as their chairman. tubes. Nothing of that nonsense. IN BRIEF

ACAS help in dispute

Quite a number of other fishermen have discovered similar things to Mr Cove, the main being that the traditional wet fly has great virtues and is too frequently neglected. Winged patterns, providing the wing is tied so that it is very nearly parallel to the line of the hook shank, crate illusions of life and movement in such traditional dressings as the Connemara Black about the subject than we do. The

night between Bramley's direcors Express Classic at Bournemouth, and players in an effort to resolve Orantes is seeded three and the dispute that arose last week Mottram six. when the club sought to cut winning Also seeded is the Hungarian bonuses from £85 to £40. The move Balass Taroczy who, with Heinz came after talks at Rugby League Gunthardt has won the World headquarters in Leeds between Doubles Championship in London

A meeting was being held last the eight seeds for next week's State

representatives of the club, the for the past two years.
players, the players' union, and BOXING: John Lyon (England), the

ACAS.

IIght flyweight and Harold Hylton
It is thought some form of (England), the beavyweight were the compromise has been recommendcod by the ACAS representative, Bob
Burns.

Bramley, who were forced to call
off their last game against Dewsbury.

Bramley a TENNIS: Christopher (Buster) round but Davies in the first
Mottram and the defending champion Manuel Orantes, are among Green (England) in their bout.

Waitz is aiming for world best

ATHLETICS

By Pat Batcher

Grete Waitz flew into London yesterday to rebut suggestions that whe was going to do the same thing around the marathon course on Sunday as the did when winning in New York last October. But she idmitted that her training had gone almost perfectly since her victory in the world cross-country champion-ships in Gaushead a month ago, and that she was hoping to run faster than she had when winning in

Since Mrs Waitz ran 2hr 27min 14sec in New York, into a strong headwind, this sounced very much like the quiet Norwegian's way of saying that she wanted to get close to the world best 2.25.29, set by Allison Roe in Ne York two years ago. The New Zealander's time beat Mrs Waitz former world best of

All of these world best times (there are no official records due to the difference in courses), as well as the men's best by Alberto Salazar, were set in New York, and the London organizers would dearly love to rival the American event on times as well as outsirip them in numbers, as they have done in the

popular event.

Around 18,000 companiors are expected to set out from Greenwich on Sunday morning, and the measure of Mrs Waitz talent is that. barring accident or injury, she will finish inside the first 100 men.

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If all goes well, this will be the Norwegian's last marathon race before the inaugural world championship race in Helsinki in August. Mr Waitz said that she would probably retire after Helsinki, and it was only the recognition of official championships for women over the marathon datance that has kept her in the sport for the last two years.

Joyce Smith, the women's winner of the London marathon for the last two years would probably say the same thing, but then, Mrs Smith was winning the world cross-country championship when Mrs Waitz was a pig-tailed schoolgirl.

It is a shame that injuries and a disaffection with the London organizers over late payments of participation money from last year caused Mrs Smith to decide to enter the marathon areal later this season

the marathon arena later this season in Los Angeles, but Mrs Waitz is a most popular replacement for the British star.

With the perticipation money preerly organized this year. Mrs. Waits can expect a hefty chunk of the \$18,000 (£11,500) allocation to

the leading women.

The contenders in the men's race for their \$24,000 (£15,500) allocation will doubtless narrow this afternoon if Kebede Balcha is one of the four expected Ethiopians arrive. Balcha's performances, and best time of 2.11.10 in the last four years will make him the men's favourite.

CRICKET

Australia in serious warm-ups

Australia will play two first class matches in preparation for the Prudential World Cup starting on June 9. While most of the other seeven visiting contestants are visiting contestants. The remaining fixtures are:

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Their only other "warm-up" game is a one-day match with New Zealand at The Oval on June 7. West indies, the holders, have so far Less than a month ago Enfield were five points behind Maidstone, who have found acoring goals a problem in recent months despite the fact that John Bartley has hit 32 arranged three matches - one day fixtures against Yorkshire at Hull. the fact that John Bartley has inf 32 in league and league cup games this season and is the leading scorer in the Alliance. The league had been led all season by either Enfield or Maidstone until Wealdstone briefly held the top position over Easter after winning at Maidstone. Gloucestershire at Bristol and Pakistan at Leicester.

Pakistan at Leicester.

FUCTURES fore-day enless stated: May 26: Sri
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Verticester (Leicester). Vertices (Leicester).

Zerbabweene v Pakister (Leicester). much more clear-cut, with Trow-bridge Town, Barrow and Stafford Rangers all looking certain to drop out, the bottom three clubs will be replaced by one from each of the three "feeder" leagues, the Northern Premier, Southen and Isthmian, South Town

West Indies go back to Bacchus

Bridgetown, Barbados (Reuter) overneal, west makes win make just one change to the side which drew the Third Test. Faoud Bacchus, who pulled out of the game with a spraised ankle, replaces Augustine Logie.

'India, who will name their team

India, who will name their team tomorrow, fielded the same eleven in the first three tests, but this time they will make at least one change, leaving out the 17-year-old left-arm spinner, Maninder Singh. The legspinner, Sivaramakrishnan, also 17, staked his claim by taking three wickets against Barbados, but conditions favourable to pace and swing might bring the veteran allswing might bring the veteran all-rounder, Madan Lal, into contenyear's event on June 18, eight more than the number of cars they can accept Jacky Icks, of Belgium, will

Sixty-eight per cent of Jamaicans polled by the Daily Gleuner supported this year's tour of South Africa by rebel West Indian cricketers, the Jamaican newspaper

A prize tonic

Schweppes, who are sponsoring the county cricket champinship for the last time, have increased the prize money by £3,300 to £50,000. The county champions will receive £14,000 (£13,000 in 1982), the runners-up £7,000 (£6,500), with £3,500 (£3,250) for third place and £1,750 (£1,650) for fourth. Counties will earn £150 for every victory and £5 per bonus point as in 1982. FOOTBALL: COUNTDOWN FOR CUP INJURIES

O'Leary smiles on casualty parade

Neither Manchester United nor their FA Cup termi-final rivals, Arsenal, can yet complete their team plans for tomorrow's match at Villa Park. Further cruel luck struck United when their Dutch International, Arnold Muhren, was ruled out with a calf muscle injury, but at least Arsenal finished training yesterday with none of their injured Arsenal's most serious doubts still concern the forward, Sanderland, and the midfield player, Nicholas, but there is brighter news of O'Leary, the cool defender, whose ankle injury was not sufficiently serious to stop him training the highest to a decision to recall Grimes, who has recently been appearing in the third team. The lrish international was sent off after being accused of striking a referce at West Ham seven months ago. He failed to regain a regular first-team place; indeed, he has made only 12 senior appearances all season.

Ron Atkinson, the United manner, said: "Ashley will come into the side because he is a first-class logical replacement. Losing Arnold is a blow but you learn to live with these things. It looks as if he could be out for 10 days".

serious to stop him training yesterday.

yesterday.

Jennings, the goalkeeper, also trained at London Colney and Arsenal's manager, Terry Neill, said reports that Jennings, or anyone else, had been ruled out were not justified. Even so, there is a feeling that Jennings, who has a damaged foot, will elect not to play.

Neill felt that O'Leary had the best chance of a complete recovery but added that the team would not

best chance of a complete covery but added that the team would not be chosen until noon today at the earliest frontially, O'Leary received his injury when playing against Manchester United in the semi-final round of the League (Milk) Cup.

Birmingham City's Ron Saunders claimed yesterday that the club is still in business only because £150,000 has been donated by the directors and £200,000 saved on the wage bill. He said cuts were achieved by selling Colin Todd, Archie Gemmill, Frank Worthington, Alan Carbishley and Kevin Dillon

"There have been several occasions when we have been in a

occasions when we have been in a precarious financial position in the last 12 months" he added. "We wouldn't be in business today but for the decisions taken to restructure the club on a solid foundation."

Saunders, who moved to Birmingham from Aston Villa 14 months ago, went on: "When I arrived the financial position was destire to say the least and was drastic to say the least and was getting worse by the week. The only thing certain was that if nothing was done, then this club would cease to

S Jimmy Hill revealed yesterday that he was prepared to hand over the chairmanship of Coventry City to someone prepared to sink £250,000 into the club. Mr Hill, who

chairman for three years, said: "We are now in our worst financial moment in our history. With football in its present state no one

he could be out for 10 days.

Atkinson also has the problem of deciding whether Moran is fit to play. Moran is confident that he will play but is afiaid that his lack of match practice will spoil his chances. He has played in only two of United's last nine matches. Should he fail to be chosen McGrath will probably appear.

knows whether there is a future for any of us."

Last May Coventry owed the bank a reported £565,000 and Mr Hill said; "The bank will not now increase our overdraft and we have made all the contomics we can."

Carbishley: one of

Sheffield Wednesday's hopes that Lyons will be fit enough to play in the semi-final against Brighton at Highbury seem to e fading. The former Everton captain had treatment for a groin strain but admitted that he was "struggling". **Directors save Birmingham** dozen players to win 50 Welsh caps, bas been dropped from the squad for the first time for the European. Championship qualifying match against Bulgaria at Wrenham on



 Neither Blackburn Rovers nor Burnley will have to shoulder any of the blame for the Easter Monday riot at the Lancashire derby at Ewood Park. A five-man FA disciplinary commission sat for more than five hours yesterday before absolving the two clubs of any responsibility. The commission pinned the blame firmly on the Burnley supporters

Enfield heading for the title

provided they satisfy Alliance have led the league since October Enfield, who at one stage appeared to have let their chance of provided they satisfy Alliance ground grading requirements.

Gatesbead, who have gone from strength to strength since taking over at the top of the Northern Premier League in January, are now so well clear that they could scena the championship tomorrow. Gatesbead and Macclesfield Town, who winning the Alliance Premier League slip away, are now clear favourities to take the title and go forward as candidates for election to the Football League.

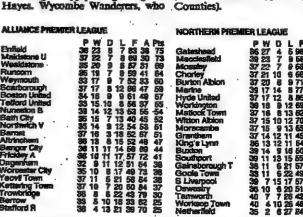
Thanks to victory on Tuesday night away at one of their two championship rivals, Wealdstone, Enfield are now two points clear of are currently second in the table, have applied to be graded.

their closest challengers, Maidstone United, who have played one match more. Wealdstone are six points From the Southern League, both Kidderminster Harriers and A. P. Learnington have asked to be graded. Kidderminster had led the All three clubs face difficult end-of-season programmes. Four of Enfield's six matches are away from cague since December until they were overtaken on Tuesday night by A. P. Leamington, who were relegated from the Alliance at the

and are currently the strongest Isthmian club both on and off the field, would only be interested in joining a regionalized Alliance League. Neither Leytonstone/Ilford nor Harrow Borough, who like Hayes could both overhaul Wycombe if they took full advantage of their games in hand, are currently interested in joining

The Southern League yesterday are Shepshed Charterhouse (Northern Counties East League), V S Rugby, Coventry Sporting, Bridgnorth Town (West Midlands) Moor Green (Midlands Combi-nation), Tamworth (Northern

The only Isthmian League club Premier), Chatham Town (Kent) intending to apply for grading are and Rushden Town (United Hayes. Wycombe Wanderers, who





SOUTHERN LEAGUE

FOR THE RECORD

BASERALL

The Alliance relegation issues are

CYCLING
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Seyz (Switz): 4, E Schippers (Bet); 5, J Boyer
(US): 6, J Zostemelt (Hern). FOOTBALL

INTERNATIONALS: Portugal 0, Hungary 0; Switzerland 0, USSA 1. POOTSALL COMBATION: Fulham 3, Luson 2: Leicaster 2, Oxford 0; Millwall 0, Totlanbarn Leicester 2, Oxford D; Manvasi v, Leicester 2, Oxford D; Manvasi v, Hotspur 0. SPAKSSH CUP: Cumrar-finals, second tegr. Sparing won 3-11; Sporing 5, Espared 0 (Sporing won 5-1); Real Sociedad 3, Real Valladokio 0 (Sociedad won 3-1).

Ickx back again Organizers of the le Mans 24-hour race have received 63 entries for this

be attempting a sixth title with the help of Britain's Derek Bell, who partnered him to victory last year.

BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE: Torrito Bus Jays 7,
Milwaskae Brewers 2: Cleveland Indians 4,
Texas Paragers 3: Caldand A's 5, Minnesota
Twins 4; Detroit Tigers 7, New York Ventiums 1;
Boston Red Sox 18, Kansas Cty Royde 4,
California Angole 8, Seettle Meritore 1.

MATONAL LEAGUE: St Louis Cardinals 9,
Phisburgh Phrase 1; Atlanta Braves 8,
Cincinetti Reds 1; Phiselephile Phillips 10, New
York Mess 3: Sen Olego Padras 2, San
Prandson Glants 1; Los Angeles Dodgers 5,
Houston Astron 3.

HARARE: Zimbatiwe 127 (D Flotcher 44, R McCurdy 4 for 37), Young Australians 97 for 8 (P Rawson 5 for 37). (P Rawdon 5 for 37).

CURLING

REGINA, Western Canada: Men's World

Champlanshipe: Fifth Round: Canada 9,

Sweden 6: Bootland 6: West Germany 4:

Dermark 11, Austra 2: Norway 9, Switzenand

6: US 11, they 1. Standings: Scotland, Norway

Canada, West Germany 4 who, 1 defect;

Sweden, US 3-2: Switzenand, Demmark,

Austria 1-4, Italy 0-5.

England's new caps England Schoolboys have three newcomers in their team to play Netherlands at Hoogeveten on Saturday. They are the goalkeeper, Trevor Lake, Aidan Murphy, a defender, and Tony Nesbit, a midfield.

TEAM: Lake (Colchester): M Thomas (South London, captain), D Crumpton (Thurrock), A Murphy (Manchester), D O'Brien (Boote), G Peacock (North Kand, N Rimmer (North Setton), A Neeblt, (Sunderland), D White (Sunderland), I Soot: (Bury), K Goddard (Leeds).

WEDNESDAY'S RESULTS

SECOND DIVISION: Derby County 1, Charles Stratuser (). YOUTH RITERNATIONAL MATCH: England 1. Reighm 1. NTERNATIONAL MATCHER: East George V. Worcester ().
SOUTHERN LEAGUE: Premier division:
Farnham 2, Corty C; Walling 2, Hastings 6.
Middland division: Sistem division: Dover 6.
Ashford 2: Folkssome 2, Andower 0.
ISTHIBLAN LEAGUE: First division: Dover 6.
2. Metropolitan Police 0. Second division:
Barton 5. Corinthian-Casuels 3; Molessy 1.
Softem 2.
340RTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE: Morecestin 1.
Matlock 0; Southport 0, Grantham 2.

CENTRAL LEAGUE First division: Stations 3 Wolves 1: Blackpool 0 West Bromwich 2 Bay 1. Liverpool 1. Second division: Sunderland Botton 6, Wigen 3, Fort Vale 1. FOOTBALL COMBINATION: Norwich 2. Crystel Palace 2; Reading 1, Saminghas 1. Leicaster 2, Oxford 0. Dutroch Cup. Semi-fensis, second leg. PSV Einchoven 2, Ajax Amsterdam 6, Rog 24. Ajax win on pensiles; NEC Ngraph 6 Haanism 0 (Agg. 2-2. Ngraph win or pensiles). NEC Ngraph win or pensiles; Ngraph win or pensiles; Ngraph win or pensiles; Ngraph win or pensiles; Ngraph win or RUGBY UNION CLUB MATCHES: Bridgend 25, Cross Keys & Bristol 48, Exemp 10; Ebber Vale 6, Macade 7: Newbort 7 Pontypool 28;

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Foul throws

Belgrade. — The Yugoslav backethall championship final is to be replayed. Sibenka-Sibenik beat Bosna-Sarajevo 83-82 after Sibenka beat Bosna-Sarajevo 83-82 after Sibenka converted two free throws in the last minute. The national federation upheld complaints that the throws should not have been awarded.

SWIMMING: Kathy Read is out of the British team to meet the Dunch at Blackpool on April 23 and 24. She backethal. Samantha Purvis will deputize in the 200m backstroke.

Murphy Manchester, D O'Brien (Beotel, G Box), Rorth Kang, N Fibrary (North Kang, N Fibrary) and Kang, N Fibrary (North Kang, N Fibrary (North Kang, N Fibrary (North Kang, N Fibrary) and Kang, N Fibrary (North Kang, N Fibrary) (North Kang

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Speedy Habibti to confirm early promise

year-old fillies compete for the Fred testing. However, I believe that the Darling Stakes. This year the classic speed that took Habibti past Royal trial has been sponsored by the Gainsborough Stud whose owner. Lowther Stakes at York last August Shailb Molecular August Augus Sheikh Maktoum Al Maktoum, has become one of the most prolific cowners of racehorses in this country, along with his brothers. Sheikh Handan Al Maktoum and Sheikh Handan Al Maktoum and Sheikh Mohammad Rin Raekid Al Mak. Mohammed Bin Rashid Al Mak-

Hopes of keeping the prize in the Hopes of keeping the prize in the family rest with Flamenco who was bought by Sheikh Mohammed after she had won her first three races last year. I prefer Habibti, another filly with Middle Eastern connexions whose owner, Mohammed Mutawanow has the Sussex Stud.

Being by that influential stallion Habitat, out of a full sister to that high-class sprinter d'Unberville. Habibii will be a lovely addition to that stud even if she never wins another race because she put her stamp on last season by winning the three races she contested, at Ascot, York and The Curragh, However, I will be disappointed if she does not turn out to be every bit as good and probably even better this season.

Habibti certainly has the size and the scope to train on and do well as a three-year old. At present she is third only behind Ma Biche and yesterday's impressive winner Favoridge in the 1,000 Guineas betting. Habibti is trained by John Dunlop who also trained Quick As Lightning to win the 1,000 two seasons ago. That filly also had her premaratory race here at Newbyrn. preparatory race here at Newbury but she could finish only third in it. albeit after a very unlucky run This time Dunlop is hoping for better things, although he is the first to concede that Habibti will be better

principal rivals have also wintered, notably Goodbye Shelley and Flamenco because Habibti was not moment came in Paris in the nine furlongs, 14 in races over the autumn when she won the one mile 3 furlongs course, and 16 converted Prix Marcel Boussac on Arc day. That race was over a mile furlong limit is unaltered.

Tote double 3.0, 4.0. Treble 2.30, 3.30 and 4.30

[Television (BBC1) 2.30, 3.0 and 3.30 races]

Draw: no advantage

Newbury

2.0 BECKHAMPTON STAKES (2-y-o maidens: £1,774; 5f) (9 runners)

5-2 County of Arcy, 7-2 Tustala, 5 Melg. 7 Top Of The Stretch, 10 Mr Rochester, 12 Read; Wit, 14 others.

BOCODA LAD (E HIII) C Benstsad 9-0
COUNT d'ARCY (A Boon) B Hills 9-0
MANDOWN LAD (P Bourle) K Brassey 9-0
MEIG (A Macdonald-Bucharam R Houghton 9-0
MEI ROCHESTER (A Herbare) G Baiding 9-0
READY WIT (Mrs R Tornsen) R Harmon 9-0
RUN HOT (A Larisley) W Wightman 9-0
TOP OF THE STRECTH (J Hogan) R Harmon 9-0
TUSTIALA (Esal Commodities) G Lewis 9-0

2.30 SPRING STAKES (3-y-o maidens: £1,132: 1m 3f) (18)

The 1.000 Graness will be on soft ground to the will have us uppermost in the mind again at difficulty in lasting the battle today Newbury today when nine three-on ground that will be every bit as vegrated fitting against first the last the last

won, carrying the pale blue colours of Alan Clore. Now the same combination will be represented by Nibabu who ran so well to finish third at Ascot in the autumn, in her only race as a two-year-old, But like the other maidens in the field, Current Raiser and Page Blanche, she will be meeting all the previous winners on disadvantageous terms. Page Blanche, the newcomer, is a half-sister to Premier Ministre, a good horse in the United States.

good horse in the United States.
Stage Coach, Henry Cecil's runner in the Spring Maiden Stakes, is a superbly bred colt by Luthier out of Glass Slipper, who has already bred two classic winners, Fairy Footsteps and Light Cavalry. But Stage Coach did not show much in his only race as a two-served of in his only race as a two-year-old at Doncaster and I prefer Firmament,

Doncaster and I prefer Furnament, whose encouraging race behind Russian Roubles in the Houghton Stakes at Newmarket last October augured rather better.

Debaj, my selection for the Chieveley Stakes, was runner-up to Shanleys Style at Salisbury last Saturday. Now he will be meeting the same horse, who had the advantage of a previous cetting at Leicester, on 7lb better terms, Finally, old Popsi's Joy, who ran so well in the Queea's Prize at Kempton, should be a tough nut to crack in the Thatcham Stakes over two miles. two miles,

 Heavy rain has forced Wolverhampton to reduce its safety limits for racing there next Monday and Tuesday a spokesman said. "Due to the state of the new ground on the bend into the straight, safety figures on the round course have been reduced." The new limits are 10 Handicap to suggest she has a lot in reduced." The new limits are 10 hand now. Goodbye Shelley's big runners in races of seven, eight and moment came in Paris in the nine furlongs, 14 in races over the



Impressive Favoridge winning the Nell Gwyn Stakes at Newmarket yesterday.

Fleet-footed Favoridge

concerned all eyes will now be focused on Danzatore when he runs in tomorrow's McCairns Stakes at

Phoenix Park. A satisfactory performance by Danny Shwartz's Northern Dancer colt would see an inevitable shortening in his price. There is a great deal of uncertainty as the first of the colt's classics approaches.

The good form shown by Guy

The even money favourite was

Harwood's three-year-olds con-tinued when Greville Starkey extricated Zoffany from an imposs-ible position to beat Onslow in the Gerry Feilden Stakes.

The build-up to the classics continued at Newmarket yesterday. Favoridge is now top quoted at 7-1 for the 1,000 Guineas after showing an explosive turn of speed to beat Annie Edge and Royal Heroine in the Nell Gwyn Stakes. On the 2,000 Guineas front Ladbroke's have laid Gorytus to lose £50,000 at all rates from 6-1 to 4-1. And after Dick Hern had won the Rowley Maiden stakes with Schuss the trainer said. "Gorytus looks a picture. He has been working well and has pleased me in every way."

Favoridge's victory was a joy to watch. Pat Eddery kept Amaranda's half-sister about three lengths off the pace as Annie Edge made the common of the situation. "He's become lazy and needs better about Royal Heroine. "She will improve a deal as a result of that him in the Heathon Stakes at the come in her coat. What we need will be clearer when Habibin has run in the Heathon Stakes at the Guineas meeting."

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pace as Annie Edge made the running. At the bushes the issue clearly lay between Annie Edge, Royal Heroine and Favoridge. Racing into the dip Eddery sent the favourite to the front. Lengthening he stride impressively. Favoridge won easing up by 1½ lengths with Royal Heroine only a head away third.

third.
Geoffrey Wragg was delighted with the winner's performance, "I have no doubts at all about he getting the extra furlong in the Guineas. She appeared not to stay when beaten by Ma Biche in the last Autumn's Cheveley Park Stakes because Eddery had kept her about eight lengths behind the leaders in the early states. Consequently she the early stages. Conscuently she had to burn up her speed to reach a challenging position and had nothing in reserve when Ma Biche found a bit extra."

Draw advantage: high numbers best

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93 CEDARWAY W O'COMMA 9-11
9 MICHEAL RICE J Berry 8-11
MONINSTY M H Easterby 8-11
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DAWN DANCER N Trinder 8-9
2 DECCAN OUEEN E Still 8-9
HAMBLETON LADY E Carr 8-8
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2.30 KNAYTON STAKES (selling: £1,103:6f) (18)

2.0 BRITON STAKES (2-y-o: £1,413: 5f) (15 runners)

9-4 Magio, 7-2 Trim Text, 6 Monisky, 10 Cedarway, Miss Mo., 12 Decuan Queen, 20 others.

2.30 KNAYTON STAKES (Selling: £1,103:6f) (18)
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2 1000- GOOD PEPFORNER D V Jacomsa 4-9-13 Skeightley 7
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7 000-0 BOLYAN SOUND S NOTON 4-9-7 CONTROL 9
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7 00-0 CHARPAGNE MANDY R HOlfrishead 3-9-6 W Plynn 7

100-30 Jump Jer, 9-2 Song To Singo, 6 Mrs Buzby, 6 Champeges Mandy, 12 Conveyor Belle, Naughny Twinkie, 15 catera.

3.30 SOWERBY STAKES (3-y-o; £1,755; 1m 4f) (8)

7-4 High Cennon, 11-4 Whitester, 5 Vynz Girl, 7 Moon Mariner, 12

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ADMIRAL HORNBLOWER W Crawle BLACK PERIL C Bell 5-11-0 COLONIEL ROSE T Golde 6-11-0 COMISTON COLD N Crump 5-11-0 DUSTY PATH W Bendey 6-11-0

111-2 HIGH CARRON S Norton 9-4
1014-0 MOON MARRIER C British 9-0
2401 VHZ GRIL C Booth 8-11
101- WHITSTAR M Juryls 8-11
13000- ALAN STUART W Burrett 8-10
10 SPIGOT SHAPT J Hardon 8-10
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him in the Heathorn Stakes at the Guineas meeting."

The Pulborough trainer has not given up hope about Northern Adventure running in the big race. This is the unbeaten colt by Far North who was ante-post favourite for the Free Handicap but was withdrawn. "Northern Adventure had not been working well. But there's no reason why he should not suddenly come to himself. I'd love to run him because he's the same horse as Sackford at home."

Paul Kelleway's meanifecant and lengths. The three-year-old is owned in partnership by Lord Porchester and the colt's breeder Bob McCreery As far as the 2,000 Guineas is

Paul Kelleway's magnificent run of success continued when Solimile gave the Newmarket trainer his fifth yictory of the season in the Ladbroke's Boldboy Sprint Handi-cap. The winning jockey Edward Hide is now leading rider with five victories to his credit. Earlier in the afternoon that capbale young rider Joey Brown had shown a cool head when bringing Percase with a well-timed run to heat Bold Print in the second round of the Daily Mirror Apprentice Championship.

The winning trainer Ian Balding said that the Queen's colt Specia Leave would run at Sandown next week in the Guardian Classic Trial trapped in a hopeless position a furlong and a half from home but a and that his recent Italian winner Drumalis would go for the Guineas.

4.0 STRAITLACE STAKES (Div I maidens: £1,557

4.30 HAMBLETON STAKES (3-y-o: £1,774: 5f) (11)

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15-8 Sharpish, 7-2 Forever Mary, 6 Petong. 8 Harleyford Maid, 1: my Rains. Red North, 20 others.

5.0 STRAITLACE STAKES (Div II maiden fillies:

2 Heavenly Princess, 3 Lease Of Life, 5 Brockley Bees, 10 Fast Incer, 12 Soversion Leon, 20 others.

Thirsk selections

(By Michael Seely) 2.0 Minisky. 2.30 Jump Jar. 3.0 Ballad Island specially recommended, 3.30 High Cannon, 4.0 Ampersand, 4.30 Forever Mary, 5.0 Dance Girl.

(By Our Newmarket Correspondent)
2.0 Deccan Queen, 3.0 Ballad Island, 3.30 Whitstar, 4.0
Angela Edelson, 4.30 Petong, 5.0 Brockley Belle.

3.45 GEORGE GRAHAM CHASE (Handicap: £2,473;

2 Prominent King, 4 Chance Commend, 5 Royal Minstrel, 10 Blue Reef, Lord Provost, 16 others.

4.15 KYLES OF BUTE HURDLE (Handicap: £1,375:

4.45 ADAMHILL HUNTER CHASE (Amateurs: £823:

1-HI SEALED Mrs M Sirk 8-12-5

400/u CAHEROYAN (CD) W Stephenson 9-12-0

12-4 DAL HARRARD J Halders 10-12-0

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12 2ptp OWENBURN K Oliver 8-10-0 ___

Im 110yd) (8)

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3111 PROMENENT KING (D) M H Essterby 11-11-2 (6 ax)

£1,577: 1m) (11)

The reign of the boot should get some marching orders

- By David Hands, Rugby Correspondent

it therefore, the system that is at them. If the players set out to play a

and 104 from tries. The proportion would have been greater had France fielded anything like a consistent goalkicker - think what Jean-Pierre Romen would have made of the penalty awards France received against England and Wales alone.
The John Player Cup semi-final between London Scottish and Lencester contained only 14 penal-tics, from which Dusty Hare licked once for goal and missed, and Stuart Irvine kicked twice for goal and

scored once.

Cup matches, it is commonly said, tend to be tight affairs in which said, tend to be tight affairs in which the penalty is expected to play a large part. Both John Player semi-finals (Bristol scored four tries, two converted, in their 23 - 3 win over Coventry) suggested this is not necessarily the case, assuming the teams concerned have an eye for the main chance and the skills to exploit it. Certainly Fred Howard from

seen to be so. General correspondents this sesson have suggested a variety of amendments to the laws and points values. One proposition has been to make the try worth five points and the conversion one, leaving the penalty worth three points, which the writer asserts, would underline the supremacy of the try against the penalty without altering the game's besic aspects. Another correspondent, Adrian Barr-Smith from London, queries the custom which allows kickers to

retreat from the place where a penalty is awarded so as to make for an easier attempt at goal. What, he askes, is the rationale for this ruling? The kicker is not allowed to select the spot on the same latitude so why

it- Certainly Fred Howard from Liverpool, the referee at Richmond had some cause for satisfaction when the game ended.

So what remains in questions is the level of skill of the players, their

By a mischievous quirk of fate, the Saturday which followed the conclusion of an international The last, is, of necessity, bissed by the penalty goal, produced a Cup game play the game in a constructive containing only 14 penalty awards, reasons mise times out of ten the players approach; if they wish to play the game in a constructive awards is, I understand, to ensure that the offending team receive their of which three were kicker at goal. It is them offending the system that is at them. If the players are goal attempt.

I have a lot of sympathy for Mr fault or the players and referees who operate within the system?

This season's championship produced an aggregate of 325 points of which 165 came from penalties

His punishment, too, must be customers more value for money by keeping the ball in play rather than waiting while the kicker makes his preparations. At the same time anyone kicking at goal from near touch, ten metres from the try line, and scoring, probably deserves the

> That having been said, the skill of the goal kicker should not be overlooked. It is as much of an art and test of nerve as any other part of the game, and if we are considering tradition and custom the origin of tradition and custom the origin of the name of the try was because a "touchdown" formerly permitted a "try" at goal. Which brings us back to the offences for which a kick at goal should be permitted and the causes of those offences.

should be be allowed to select a different spot on the same longitude?

It is a characteristic of rugby players by and large, that they seldom query the referee's interpretation of the laws. In turn the referee what the players are trying to achieve. When these two go hand in hand the "value" of the penalty is

Schools rugby

England hope to show up seniors

Schools rugby moves to a Welsh, irish and Scots rugby to signifiacant climax tomorrow at relatively small areas, has often been cited as a built-in advantage England meet Wales at 18 group whilch tends to offset England's Pontypridd, mid Glamorgan, where England meet Wales at 18-group level; both sides have defeated Ireland, Scotland and France, so what might be termed "The Junior Grand Slam" is at stake.

The unluckiest member of the England squad si Flaberty, the West Park wing. Sims, the England captain, a fine centre, went off injured against at Gosforth, and Crawford, his replacement, after a reshuffle came on to the wing. He proceeded to score two tries against France,made another and followed that with a third in England's victory over Scotland at Aberdeen last Saturday.
Perhaps, predictably, poor Fla-

herty (barring injuries, that is) will watch Saturday's match from the

numerical superiority. An area like Cumbria can easily become neg-lected, if not forgotten. (The new county championship system had

Those of us who have seen done nothing to improve tms sume England's skilled and purposeful of affairs,) play this winter cannot have failed to have been impressed; in addition that Cumbrian schools note their record (70 points scored to only three conceded) speaks for itself, though Wales (62 points to 13 matches, the most recent at Carlisle conceded) is almost as spectacular.

(21-12) last Friday against Surrey.

Their efforts, however, have been Their efforts, however, have been

dwarfed by the exploits of the county colts. A colt is: "a player who county colts. A colt is: "a player who is under 19 on January 1 of the current season and is in, or registered for, employment". (RFU Handook) The standard of Colts' rugby is high and is improving all the time.

On January 24, the Contwall Colts made the long trek north to Cartisle, where they lost the National colts county championships final to Cumbria by a try and a pernality to a soal, a dropped goal

pernalty to a goal, a dropped goal and two penalties (15-7).

replacement bench. It would and two penalties (1.5-7).

certainly provide a piquancy to the season's close, to English eyes at least, if their juniors could succeed, where their seniors have so signally failed.

The intense centralization of Express Dairles.

Pontypool's Welsh international week, but they will need to play well prop forward, Staff Jones, will not at Aberavon who have been play in the Welsh Cup final seainst producing quality rugby in a Swansea on April 30. The club do winning run. Swansea can not afford not want him to risk his place on the to lose with Pontypool and British Lions tour of New Zealand Newbridge so close. not want him to risk his place on the British Lions tour of New Zealand which begins a few days after the

John Scott, the England No 8 who missed selection for the Lions, has been nominated for another term as captain of Cardiff, which will give him a unique run of four Onsecutive scasons.

Swansea are still nicely placed to achieve a cup and championship double, despite losing at Cardiff last

IN BRIEF

Jones out of Welsh final

Aberavon are likely to be without Knight, their prop, who is recovering from a knee injury and their veteran international lock, Martin. Swansea, despite having three players who have represented Wales at full back, have a problem in that

Douglas has a shoulder injury sustained in the last international of the season, Donovan is ill and Blyth was taken off against Cardiff.

Tour will go ahead say French

Paris, (AFP)-The French Rugby Federation president Albert Fer-rasse, still hopeful he can save the June tour of South Africa, will not convene his management committee until tempers have cooled following last week's government intervention.
"There is no point in us succting while emotions are still running so high," be said in an interview with

L'equipe, the French sports journal.

In the meantime, Mr Ferrasse is
to meet with the sports minister,
Edwige Avice on Monday to clarify
several points. "If we had received
formal notification from the government, ordering as not to see, then ment, ordering us not to go, then there would be no argument. We would have accepted the decision," he said. "however, there are several points in her letter we cannot

Accept."

Mr Ferrasse said the mi letter asked amateur sports feder-ations to break off all contact with South Africa while allowing pro-fessional sports to decide for he said. But be added that he was "quietly confident" that a solution could be found.

In another luterview, in the magazine Paris Match, the captain of the French team, Jean-Pierre Rives, said he was ready to go to South Africa despite the government appeal. He said his experience of South Africa he has toward for South Africa – he has toured four times – had shown bim that "a wave of a magic wand – and particularly a boycott – would not change the situation."



Sheene in 21 races

British motor-cycling comeback at Donington Park on Sunday, will race at 21 meetings this season in a sponsorship deal with the British importers of DAF Trucks from the letherlands.
The former world 500cc cham-

pion spent six months regaining itness after a bad smash and proved wrong the doctors who predicted that he would never race again by competing in the French and South African Grands Priz. TABLE TENNIS: Thirteen coun-

tries will compete in the seventh Commonwealth chempionships, starting in Kuala Lumpur on Sunday, England's men are in the same qualifying group as Hongkong, who finished third last year. The Nigerians, who were runners up to England, are drawn with Canada and India.

MISH Group A: England, Hongkong, India, Australia, Scotland, New Zealand and Northern Iraland, Group B: Nigeria, Canada, Paldetan, Wollas, Malaysia and Singapone. WOMEN: Group A: England, Canada, Nigeria, New Zealand, Singapone and Northern Iraland. Group B: Hongkong, India, Scotland, Australia. BOXING: Mike Rossman,

former World Boxing Association light-heavyweight champion, re-turning to the ring for the first time in two years, stopped a fellow American, Charlie Smith, in the tenth round at Atlantic City. GOLF: The first round of the Korean Open championship was cancelled because of heavy rain in Seoul yesterday. It will now be decided over three rounds

CYCLING: Bernard Hinault, of France, claimed his first classic victory since 1981 when he beat five rivals in a sprint to the finish in the forty-seventh Fleche Wallonne race at Huy in Belgium.

Bone backs rising Brice to trouble Whichello By Lewine Mair

this morning.

In the opinion of Derek Bone, the
Lawn Tennis Association's National Junior Coordinator, Brice has recently made up a deal or ground on both Whichelio and the secondone has to remember that this

one has to remember that this applies only in a British context, he is up with the better 16-and-under players and is by no means lost in the 18-and-under game."

Bone puts down Brice's advance to his move to St Bede's school in Eastbourne, where he is able to play so much more tennis, most of it under the eye of Clay Hes.

A well-coordinated how who does

A well-coordinated boy who does plenty in the way of training to build himself up. Brice was at once stronger and more reliable than Yorkshire's Stepehn. Heron in their

rorstnire's Stepean. Heron in their match yesterday morning. Heron picked up just three games in each set, but what made the watching John Clifton of Davis Cup fame feel double sorry for the lad was the fact that he received a formal warning for querying a couple of calls about which he was each time patently in

which he was each time patently in the right.
Whichello, in his quarter-final match, won 6-4, 6-2 against Millifield's Mark Wallace. Six games represented a respectable hand for Wallace, a young man who has spent enough time on his schoolwork to be contemplating a career in

Ricky Every of Nottinghamshire

survived a tough three-set affair to meet Goodall in the other semi-final

Austen Brice, the youngest survivor among the boys in the 16-and-under Junior Hardcourt Championship sponsored by Prudential at the Edgbaston Archery Club, has improved to an extent where, if at his best, he could give the first-seeded Richard Whichello a touch of trouble in ther semi-final match this morning.

While, in the girls event, Scotland's Suzie Mair will play Kent's Jenny Reeves and Caroline Rhaguandas, once the 12-and-under grass court champion, meets Linclonshipe's Alison Grant. Miss Grant's victim yesterday was Alison Reichenbach, a Leicestershire girl who looks to have a good strong game in the making.

making.

PRIDENTIAL HARD COURT CHAMPIONSHIPS: 16-and-under Boys' singles: R
Windrato (Kent) best M Walson (Avon) 6-4 62: A Brice (Cheshre) best S Heron (Yorkstrie)
6-3 6-3; R Every (Notts) best C Peet
(Lancastire) 3-5 6-3 6-2; J Goodal (Yorkstrie)
beat A Hurding (Leistrathre) 4-6 6-4 6-1. Girts
singles: S Mair (East of Scotland) best C Wood
(Sussex) 7-5 6-1; J Reeves (Kent) best F
Couldridge (Dorset) 6-2 2-4; C Breguendas
(Middlesen) best S Writaman (Notes) 6-4 6-2: A
Grant (Licotristine) best A Reichenbach
(Leicestershire) 6-3 6-3.

Miss Jaeger out

Amelia Island, Florida (AP) knee injury has forced Andrea Jaegar, the second seed to withdraw from the £250,000 WTA Champion-

ship here.

She strained the knee in last week's Family Circle Cup at Hilton Head, South Carolina. Miss Jaeger was to have met qualifier Rafaella Reggi of Italy,

LOS ANGELES: Pacific Southwest Champton-ships: Second round: (US unless strate). Cornors bt 8 Froms 6-8, 6-0; Faustring bt 5 Telstocker 6-4, 6-2; Kirsk (SA) bt 7 Dupra (US) 4-6, 6-4, 6-1; R Van't Hof 8 Walts 7-6, 2-6, 6-3; T Mayfoths bt M Purost 2-6, 5-2, 7-6.

HILTON PEAD ISLAND, South Carolina: WCT Tournaissent: Guestes final: T Smid CC) bt W Scarston (US) 6-2, 8-1, 3-6, 8-4.

AMPELEA HSLAND, Forde: WTA tournament: Second round (US unless stated): B Gartiset A Mouston, 3-6, 6-2, 8-3; S Harrice (WG) bt A Mouston, 3-6, 6-2, 8-3; S Harrice (WG) bt A Leand, 6-2, 4-8, 7-5; W White bt C Benfemin, 8-4, 8-2 M Torres bt Y Vermask (SA), 4-8, 7-6, 6-1; Z Gartison bt 1 Machinga-Deses (Arg), 4-8, 7-5, 6-2; S Barker (Brig) bt A Hoban, 8-0, 1-6, 6-3; E Head bt M Missieve (Ba), 6-3, 6-3; C Reggi (bt) bt L Forood, 6-3, 6-2; C Lloyd bt M L Platek, 6-1, 6-0.

TODAY'S FIXTURES

FOOTBALL

Kick-off 7.30 unless stated Rick-on / 30 unless stated
Fourth division
Cokhester United v Scumhorpe United
Crowe Alexandra v Hartiepool United
Hatitax Town v York City
CENTRAL LEAGUE First division: West
Bromwich v Liverpool (7.0)
OTHER MATCH: Walthemstow Avenue v
Totamham Hotspur X)

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RUGBY LEAGUE FIRST DIVISION: Cartale v Bradford Northern (at Huddersfield): Warrington v Workington OTHER SPORT

GOLP: Father and Som Foursomes
Tournament (at West Hill)
RACKETS: Open Singles (at Queen's Club)
SQUASH RACKETS: SRPA Championships (at
Lantiowath Hall, Hut)



Newmarket results 2.0 (2.2) GRANBY STAKES (2-y-o; \$2,443; 5f) 2.0 (2.2) GRANDON bef by African SkyAFRICAN ABANDON bef by African SkyBearly Angel (P Mils) 9-1
G Bearler (11-8 fav) 1
G Bearler (11-8 fav) 2
Gätter Brück P Eddery (16-1) 3
Gätter Brück 2.23 (2.39) DAILY MERROR APPRENTICE CHARPIONSHIP ROUND 2 (Pendicap 22,511: 1an-41) 3.10 (3.13) NELL GWYN STAKES (group 3; 3-y-c; (Mes: £11,809: 7f)

TOTE: Win: £2.60, Places: £1.30, £2.20, £1.70, DP: £17.70, GSP: £20.52 G Whagg at downwarfest. 1-1, led. Whet Lake (16-1) 4th. 9 an. 1m30.154.

TOTE: Wir: \$3.90. Places: \$2.30, \$2.30. DF: \$12.40. CSF: \$19.03. P Kelleway at Newmarket. 61, \$14. Willy James 3-1 Jf Fev. Dupl Investment (14-1) 4th. 6 ran. 1m 17-2a. TOTE: Wire £1.50. Places: £1.50, £2.10, £2.10, £2.20, DP: £8.80. CSF: £1.71. G Harwood at Pubborough. NK, 2½. Serhead (9-1) 451.8 ran. 1m 59.47s.

G Starkey (Evens fav) 1

and the second s

Wincanton 2.15 1, Le Vert Gelant (11-1); 2. Usurging (5-1); 3, Redenham (14-1). Hymnos (5-1 fay), 23 ran. 2.45 1, Saundern (13-2); 2. Black Rod (13-2); 3. Money For Jum (8-1). Almighty Zees (4-1 fay), 13 ran. nr. Polly's Owen. TOTE: Win: 95.40. Places: 92.10, 92.10, 94.50. DF: 21.40. CSF: 228.24. W Hein at West liabs, 44, it. Gay Lamar (94.1av) 4th. 1m 30.97s. NR: Royele Boy, Galfum. Substitute (13-2; 3, accessor sound (13-2), 13 ran.

3.45 1, Fatte The Spar (25-1); 2, Party Mes.
(11-1; 3, Celtic Stare (11-1), (4-1); fave) Srocks
Law and Nine Stones. 15 ran.

4.15 1, Nampera Core (5-2); 2, Button Boy (5-1); 3, Professor Party (3-4 fiv.), 8 ran.

4.45 1, Nament (2-1 fav); 2, Phinestone Cowboy (11-2); 3, Lovanta Lee (50-1), 22 ran.

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(16-1); 3, Paperacur (4-1); 16 Ren. (Roman Son
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3.00; 1, Space Bridge (12-1); 2, Poor Excuse
(33-1); 3, Double Crossing (12-1); 0 ran.
3.30: 1, Bhainferd (10-1); 2, Rocks of Band.
Market (10-1); 2, Rocks of Band.
Market (10-1); 2, Rocks of Band.

Compensation for land taxable

her mother's estate: by 1966 Mrs Chilver had no Latvian

If that be right the subsec-tion could not apply in the case of Mrs Chilver's Latvian

property. Nor had the taxpayer acquired on her mother's death an asset within section 22(1):

she had acquired a half share in

in 1966 the taxpayer acquired no more than a hope of on-day receiving compensation

That was not a form of property and not an asset for

the purposes of the 1965 Act. Thus there was no question

of any charge to the tax on the compensation paid to the taxpayer in respect of her mother's property, unless the right conferred on her by the 1969 Order was itself an asset within section 20(1)

been correct in concluding that

the compensation moneys paid to the taxpayer were not capital sums "derived from assets"

within the general words of section 22(3).

argument was that the various categories of Latvian property

were assets with section 22 and

"capital sums received by way of compensation" for the loss

argued, it was unnecessary to consider whether they were capital sums derived from assets within the general wording of the subsection.

That argument raised diffi-cult questions but in the end it

was clear that it was correct. Section 22(3)(a) was of wide effect: it was not limited to

compensation payable as a result of some physical loss or

amage.
It was concerned also with

compensation payable as a result of a change of title to property. It was a fair use of language to describe nationali-

zation, more especially confis-cation, as the loss of an asset.

Accordingly there were disposals under section 22(3)(a) in relation to the small

parts of compensation relating to the taxpayer's property and her father's. But the view already expressed in regard to

the larger part paid in respect of the taxpayer's mother's property made it necessary to consider the Crown's alterna-

tive claim that the 1969 Order conferred a right on the taxpayer that was itself a form of property and therefore an asset within section 12(1).

Mr Whiteman had sought to negative that claim by relying on Davis v Powell ([1977] 1

WLR 258) as authority for the general propostion that a

statutory right to compen-sation for irretrievable loss

could not be an asset for the

However, that submission was unacceptable. Davis v

The 1969 Order conferred on

the taxpayer a form of property

alternative claim had been

worth anything in practice was another matter. For the result

was that in the absence of agreement between the parties

it would be necessary for the

commissioners for issues relat gains to be determined.

against remittal on the ground

taxpayer. But there was no

alternative other than to remi

the case. However, it did seem

that some practical view ough:

to be taken on the compen-sation relating to the taxpayer:

mother's property.

Whether by concession or otherwise it did appear that the life and proper course would be for the Crown to proceed on

neither a gain nor a loss in the value of the taxpayer's rights during the material period. But

those remarks were not intended to apply to the smaller amounts of compen-

Sation.
Although the Crown's appeal had to be allowed, it was clear that the substantial

victory was or ought still to be

the taxpayer's.
Solicitors: Solicitor of Inland

Revenue: Vizard & Co. Monmouth.

Section 15 put limits on the amount of the payment and

provided that an employee should not be entitled to

guarantee payments in respect of more than five days in any

In the present case there were nine "workless days" in the relevant three-month

period. The employee was paid by his employers for five of those in excess of the statutory

It was argued by Mrs Gill

that the five days were not to be taken into account when

calculating the maximum number of days for which a

guarantee payment could be

rnade under section 15. She relied on the wording of

section 16(2) that contractual

remuneration paid to an employee in respect of a

workless day went towards

remaining workless days. That was wrong. The maximum of five days

entrilement to guarantee pay

ment had been discharged by the contractual payment.

Solicitors: Ryland, Martineau and Co, Birmingham.

purposes of the tax.

But the Crown's primary

within section 22(1).

Davenport (Inspector of Taxes) v Chilver Before Mr Justice Nourse [Judgment delivered April 14]

Section 22 of the Finance Act 1965 brought into the charge to capital gains tax capital sums paid under the Foreign Compensation (Union of Soviet Socialist Republics) Order (SI 1969 No 735) to 2 taxpayer as compensation for property in Latvia that had en confiscated from her and

her family in 1940.

Mr Justice Nourse allowed in principle an appeal in the Chancery Division by the Crown from a determination of the Special Commissioners who had discharged an assesswho had discharged an assessment to the tax that had been made on Miss Marie Chilver for the years 1972-73 in an amount of £10,000,

Although his Lordship made an order remitting the case to the commissioners for valuation of the gains, if any, he went on to express the opinion that he thought that the Crown should proceed on the practical footing that in relation to the greater part of the compen-sation neither a gain nor a loss accrued to the taxpayer in respect of the value of her rights during the relevant

period.
Mr Robert Carnwath for the Crown: Mr Peter Whiteman, QC and Mr B R Green for the

MR JUSTICE NOURSE MR JUSTICE NOUNCE, delivering a reserved judgment, said that the question for decision was whether payments totalling £25,683 made to the taxpayer under the Foreign Compensation (Union of Soviet Socialist Republics) Order 1969 were subject to capital 1969 were subject to capital gains tax. The relevant pro-visions of the Finance Act

1965 had once again given rise to several points of difficulty. The taxpayer's father wa British national who in 1915 They had two children who were born in the United Kingdom in 1918 and 1920. One child was the taxpayer, All four members of the family

owned property in Latvia. In 1939 Mr Chilver died intestate. According to the then Latvian law his estate passed to his widow and daughters in

his widow and account of couperist was expropriated without payment of compensation. That included the Chilver property the bulk of which was then owned

by Mrs Chilver. Mrs Chilver died in 1966 domiciled in England and Wales leaving any compen-sation due to her by reason of

her Latvian property to her two daughters in equal shares. In 1967 an agreement was reached between the United kingdom government and the USSR concerning long standing disputes relating not only to the Baltic States but to various territories ceded to the USSR by Czechoslovakia, Finland, Poland and Romania between 1940 and 1951. Money was to be paid to the roreiga compensation Com-mission so that psyments could be made to applicants establishing a claim under the Order.

The taxpayer and her sister made claims on behalf of the estates of their parents and in their own right. The taxpayer established claims of £60,332 in respect of which she received 42 per cent or £34,623

The Crown's claim to the tax depended on sections 19, 22 and 45(5) of the 1965 Act. Section 22 dealt with the disposals of assets and compu-

disposals of assets and computation of gains. Subsection (1) provided that all forms of property should be assets for the purposes of the legislation. By section 22(3) there was to be a disposal of assets by their owner where any capital sum was derived from assets notwithstanding that no assets notwithstanding that no assets. was acquired by the person paying the capital sum and the particularly to "(a) capital sums received by way of compensation for any kind of damage or injury to assets or for the loss, destruction or dissipation of assets".

In order to see the impact of the legislation it was necessary to examine the taxpayer's various interest in the propcrty. She had to be taken to have been the owner of Latvian property not only in her own right but also via her father's estate pre-1940. Second, she was never the

Workless day limits

Cartwright v G. Clancey Before Mr Justice Browne-Wilkinson, Mr R. V. Cooper and Mr D. A. Lambert

[Judgment delivered April 12] In a test case on the interaction between an employee's entitlement to a contract of employment in periods of short time working, the Employment Appeal Tri-bunal held that a man who was bunal held that a man who was entitled to a guarantee pay-ment for five workless days in a specific period and who was paid by his employer under his contract of employment for those days could not then claim a guarantee payment for further workless days in the

same period.

The appeal tribunal dismissed an appeal by Mr S. Cartwright from a decision of a Birmingham industrial tri-bunal last October who ed his application for a guarantee payment from his employers, G. Clancey Ltd.
Mrs T. Gill, legal officer General and Municipal Workers' Union, for Mr Cartwright, Mr J. Mitting for the company.

MR JUSTICE BROWNE-WIL- KINSON said that the employers had put part of the work force on short-time working rather than make them redundant.

Section 12 of the Employ-

ment Protection (Consolidation) Act 1978 provided for

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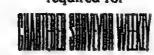
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Will a new rent level be set in the City?

Corporation over the key rent when Kuwaiti bank paid £32,12 a sq ft for 10,000 sq ft of accommo-

dation setting a record rent level. So far neither side can agree on a new leasehold rent for the block and it now looks set to go to arbitration in a few weeks' time. It is thought to be an extremely complicated deal because one would not normally expect a rent review between the long leaseholder, the bank, and the freehold-

Hongkong & Shanghai bought the long leasehold interest in the 300,000 sq ft building in a spectacular deal about seven years ago when the property market was at its most depressed. The bank paid just over £30m for 99 Bishopsgate, about half of which it was to use for its own occupation. . Today the bank only occupies about 90,000 sq ft of the building which was developed originally by the Berkeley Hambro subsidiary Bishopsgate Developments in conjunction with the Prudential, The remaining office space has been let to a number of different tenants including the Knwaiti bank which was prepared to pay a record rent to lease a floor in this well located

block. Negotiations between Hongkong & Shanghai and the Prudential are further complicated by a number of rent reviews underway between the bank and some undertenants. These tenants are resisting increases of around 50 per cent in their rent bill. Currently the occupiers whose leases are under review are paying between £18 and £22 a sq ft and the bank is keen to increase these rates to the present market level some-

where in excess of £32 a sq ft. A spokesman for Richard Ellis the agents acting for the Prudential, refused to be drawn into disclosing details of the lease structure between the bank and the insurance company. But there was more than a hint of a biner bande between the

two sides.

The property market is eagerly awaiting the outcome of all those negotiations, especially those with the undertenants, to see if a new

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Hongkong & Shanghai Banking sort of discount for a sitting tenant a sq ft. this may not prove to be the case at review of 99 Bishopsgate, in the 99 Bishopsgate. As one City agent the developers, W A Blackburn, beart of the City. The building put it this week. You might expect who paid around £18m for the made property news last summer to see some of the tenants paying a 87,000 sq ft building 18 months when Kuwaiti bank paid £32.12 a premium for the higher floors in the 280. Since then the company has so ft for 10,000 sq ft of accounts.

about discounts on the market rent former Midland Bank premises. for that building."

side, where Mitsubishi are believed to be close to signing a rental arcement. Demand for prime City office space is presently outstrip-ping supply and this is likely to be reflected in rents over the coming months. As the City of London Corporation disclosed in its office report last week, many agents believe that prime central banking core office space should command double the rent of more fringe buildings. This would push tents up

to the £45 a sq ft level so often forecasted by Richard Ellis.

The first letting has been achieved in Princess House, Bush Lane, EC4, just off Cannon Street. According to the letting agents Sinclair Goldsmith and Styles & Whitled and Americal financial Whitlock, an American financial institution, E F Hutton & Co has leased the top five floors in the

Antwerp deal

Partners acted for the vendors.

This must come as some relief to

building It would be unwise to talk spent about £7m refurbishing the At the time it looked as though

Already it is believed the present the developers would have a hard record of £32.12 as of ft is set to be time finding tenants for the block broken with negotiations well which is decidedly off-pitch. News underway at Atlas House, Cheap-of this 20,000 sq ft letting must bring some cheer not only to the developers but to other landlords of buildings in less than prime

> Debenham Tewson & Chinnocks has extended its office floorspace survey to include the West End as well as the EC and WC postal districts the firm has covered since 12974. The enlarged survey shows that in March there was a total of almost 9m sq ft of vacant Land Securities, through its office accommodation throughout subsidiary, the City of London Real office accommodation throughout

witnessed demand greater than years,

A fierce battle is breaking out rental level is established in the Thames Tower section of the supply. In EC2 almost 140,000 so fine between the Productial and the City, While one might expect some building for a rent of around £23.50 was let during March while only Hopskons & Shanohei Rosking out rental level is established in the Thames Tower section of the supply. In EC2 almost 140,000 so fine the supply of the supp available.

81,000 sq ft of office space in the £20m 145,000 sq ft Project 125 building on Shaftesbury Avenue.

WC2. BT is to use the building as its new London Region Centre Area headquarters. The block has been developed by Town & City Properties together with National Freehold and Lesschold Properties and Norwich Union Letting agents are Moss & Partners and Healey & Baker. The letting to BT follows hard on the heels of another leasing Foster Wheeler Petroleum Devel opments has taken 21,000 sq ft.

Arbuthnot Latham has leased

130 Finsbury Pavement, London EC2, at an annual rent of £580,000 for the 39,000 sq ft building. Joint letting agents were Jones Lang Wootton and Hampton & Sons, the City the WC, W1 and SW1
districts of London.

The report shows that during the past six months there has been a 15 per cent increase in the amount of empty space in the West End Akroyd & Smithers at a rent of engage and the current total to 4.22m sq ft. Only one area of the capital's central office market witnessed demand greater than subsidiary, the City of London Real Property Company, has sold its freehold interest in 2-6 Austin Friars, EC2 to the Trustee Savings Bank Pension Scheme for around £12m. Let to the firm of jobbers Akroyd & Smithers at a rent of £625,000 a year, the building was refurbished in 1977 and has been in Land Securities' portfolio for 70 years.



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Now, under a new managing
The Panda Super a new up-mardirector, Fiat UK is beginning to ket version went on sale here last
bubble again, new models are month and will be the spearhead of
arriving and dealer desertions have the extensive new model programme which Fiat chiefs have There are still problems to be promised will transform the Italian sorted out, however. Not least is the company's depressed fortunes over position of dealers holding dual the next two years. It will be Frat-Lancia franchises after the sale followed next mouth by the Strada of the Lancia concession to the Mk II and in midsummer by Uno, Heron corporation Signor Pietro the much-publicized replacement Quaglia, who took over Fiat UK six for the 127.

months ago, admits it is awkward. I have just been trying the Panda but believes that the two can be Super and must confess at the sold side by side if dealers are outset that I have always thought prepared to perform equally well that Fiat overdid the utility bit with this car. What is accetable to Italian The deciding factor, in my view, and French motorists weaned on must be Lancia's image as an upugly basic-looking cars is still a market car. I fear it has suffered in questionable selling point here. But questionable selling point here. But once past the shape and into the this country as much from being driving seat, doubts disappear.

part of Fiat as from its former problems with rust, Fiat had its Panda's upright seats give a commanding driving position. My own rust nightmare but somehow never suffered from the same wife was particularly fulsome in her extensive media exposure as Lan- praise of the all-round visibility and control this made possible. I am certain this was due to The 900cc engine is typically

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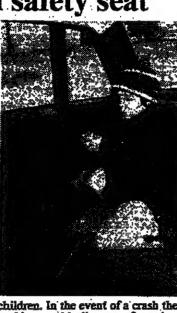
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12.30 News After Noon: and weather prospects; 12.57 Financial Report. And news headlines, with sub-titles.

1.00 Pebble Mill at One: the conversation and music magazine from the studio

1.45 Postman Pat: puppet story for the youngsters. 2.00 American Gardens: A noncommentary, pictures-and-music "filler" rather like the

soothing potters wheel "fillers" of pld, 2.15 Racing from Newbury: Featuring the big race of the day - the Gainsborough Stud Fred Darling Stakes, at 3.00. We also see the 2.30 and 3.30 races, Commentary by Julian

3.55 Play School: (also on BBC 2, 2: 11.00am); 4.20 The New Schmoo: cartoon; 4.40 The Unknown Enchantment: by Rosamary Harris. The story of

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E.35 Roobarb (r). 5.40 News; and weather prospect: 6.00 South East at Six; 6.22 Nationwide: including Sportswide at 6.45.

7.00 Film: A Gathering of Eagles (1952) Drama about the United States's Strategic Air Command in the nuclear age, with Rock Hudson as the efficiency-obsessed colonel wירי g ves others at his command base a very trying time. Produced and directed by two former flyers, Sy Samen and Delbert Mann, and co-starring Mary Peach, Rod

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made drama series about two po-sewomen. Tonight, the authorities allow a master east trief to slip through their agers. He is an elderly centeman, arrested on a -or charge and released on

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TV-am 6.00 Daybreak: followed at 6.30 by Good Morning Britain, presented by Anna Ford and Nick Owen. Items include news at 6.00, 6.20, 7.90, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30, 9.00, and 9.11; City news at 6.15; Review of the papers at 6.33; Sport at 6.40 and 7.30; TV spot at 7.50, Interview with John Curry at 8.20. Money Talks at 8.40 and Crafty Cooking, with Michael Barry, at 9.05. Closedown at 9.15.

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9.30 Sesame Street: learning things, with The Muppets: 10.30 Science Internation facts for Everyman; 10.35 The Poseidon Files: The hunt for the humpback whale; 11.30 Film Fun: Compilation of award-winning Warner Brothers cartoons, prese

by Derek Griffiths (r). Topper's Tales: with Julian Orchard (r): 12.10 Rainbow: 12.00 with Gerry Marsden as guest; 12.30 Wild, Wild, World of Animals: The clever tricks of the raccon's cousin, the Coati

1.00 News from ITN; 1.20 Thames area news; 1.30 About Britain; The story of a Scots marching band formed in Glasgow and

now competing nationally. 2.00 A Plus: The topic is middle age. A studio audience discuss it with writers Molly Parkin and Christopher

2.30 Film: Too Many Crooks (1958') Engaging British comedy about a gang of bungling kidnappers. With Terry-Thomas, George Cole Sidney James and Vera Day. Director: Mario Zampi.

4.00 Children's ITV: Rainbow (r); 4.20 Dangermouse: the cartoon series that is now selling well in video form: 4.25 Animals in Action: All sorts

and conditions of frogs. 4.50 Fractime: Youngsters perform songs they have written. 5.15 Make Me Laugh. A chuckle-

provoking contest. 5.45 News; 6.00 The 6 o'clock Show: The lighter side of the news, with Michael Aspel and Janet Street-Porter.

7.00 Family Fortunes: Prize and cash quiz, with Sob Monkhouse. The Browns from Airdrie take on the Ladds from Romford, Essex. 7.30 Hawaii Five-O:Steve Garrett suspects that a doctor is

illegally supplying drugs to 6.30 Pig in the Middle: Susan embraces her new-found freedom and Barty begins to feet trapped. With Joanna van

Gyseghem and Terence 9.00 Death of an Expert Witness: Episode 2 of Robin Chaoman a dramatization of the P D James murder story reveats the private, poetic side of Adam Dalgliesh of the Yard (Roy Marsden). And Maxim Howarth (Barry Foster) starts

work as the new director of the scientific team at Hoggatt's forensic laboratory. 10.00 News at Ten. Islington Council has earned for itself the name of "the Bananas Republic" because of the odd subjects that end up on the agenda for debate by

its left-wing members. We fearn tonight why the council has rivalled the GLC for the column inches it has won in the newspapers.

11.00 Shoot Pool! The second match in the John Bull Bitter London Pool Championships has Charlie Nolan competing against Raymond Farrbrother 12.15 Close: Brian Blessed reads by Francis Bacon



Timothy Spall in Guests of the Nation (BBC 2, 9.30 pm).

BBC 2

6.05 Open University. Until 8.10.

Maths Methods: linear

Molluscan evolution.

5.10 ABC in Kansas City: The last

coverage of the 1976 Republican Convention in

of four films on ABC's

Kansas City.

University preview.

6.40 Cameo: a short pictorial

6.50 Madhur Jaffrey's Indian

7.15 News summary. With sub-

7.20 Headingley Test: How a cricket wicket is made. The story of Keith Boyce, head

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how, in the summer of 1981,

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(Margaret Jay, Bernard Ashley and Yusuf Hassan) discuss

Tucker's Luck, 20-20 Vision

about punters) and Village Earth. And Miles Kington talks about doctors and nurses on

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8.35 Gardeners' World: Kenneth and Gillain Beckett write books and their garden at

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work is anything to go by, we might be in for some stimulating fun. Radio highlights: THE DAILY WOMAN (Radio 3, 9.20pm), a story

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by Bernard MacLaverty, read by Brid Brennan in an unemotional way that underlines the overall tragedy rather than undermines it, is about a maltreated Belfast wife who "does for" the businessman who pays £75 for the use of her body and thereby makes it possible for her to enjoy

one night of fear-free luxury and contact with someone who, for once, demands nothing of her Music highlights include Emanual Ax's Beethoven and Chopin recital (Radio 3, 7.30pm); and Alexander Radio 3, 7.30pm); and Alexander Radio 3, 7.30pm; and Ballie as cello soloist in Dutilleux's Tout un monde lointain, performed by the BBCSO and Chorus (Radio 3 10-11pm). Poulenc's Gloria completes an attractive programme

cancers that affect women and

in general and why they think that, in some respects, (culture and business success) they are sometimes superior to the

'8.00 What a Picture: First in new

8.30 Jazz on Four: Joint recital at the Royal Albert Hall by three masters of the guitar: John Paco de Lucia.

stories from the comedian and singer Tony Cepstick. He is supported by the Carleton Main Frickley Colliery Band. The setting is a club where Mr Capstick's "twin brother also

10.00 Cheers: A timid young priest to-be makes amorous advances towards Diane, the girl in the American saloon

Nicholson encourages a group of ordinary people to discuss their feelings about the prospect of impending death. This is the ninth programme in what he become a composition what has become a compelling series which has gained much from Miss Nicholson's committed interviewing technique,

straight but is then caught up In a criminal enterprise masterminded by a lawyer. It was Bogart's last B-movie for Warner Brothers, the company for whom he made his best same year that he appeared in Casablanca. The film co-stars Irens Manning, Richard Travis, Susan Peters, and Stanley

Radio 4

6.00 News Briefing.
6.10 Farming Today.
6.30 Today, including 6.45 Prayer for the Day, 8.45, 7.55 Weather.
7.00, 8.00 News, 7.25, 8.25
News Headlines, 7.45 Thought for the Day, 8.35 Yesterday in Pariament, 8.57 Weather.
9.00 News.
9.05 Desert Island Discs: violinist Rugger Riccit

Radio 3

6.55 Weather. 7.00 News. 7.05 Morning Concert: Rossini, Mozart, Griegt

how they can be treated.
4.40 Story Time: Goodbye to All That, by Robert Graves (5).
5.00 PM.

5.50 Shipping Forecast, weather, 6.00 News; Friancial Report, 6.30 Going Places, 7.00 News. 7.05 The Archers. 7.20 Pick of the Week! 8.10 Profile.

Any Questions? Letter from America, by Alistair 9.15 Letter from America, by Alisten Cooke.
9.30 Kaleidoscope: arts magazine.
9.59 Weather.
10.00 The World Tonight.
10.35 Week Ending: a satirical review?
11.00 A Book at Bedtime: Bellman and True, by Desmond Lowden (10).
11.15 The Financial World Tonight.
11.30 Today in Partiament.

11.30 Today in Parliament. 11.45 Laurie Taylor in the BBC Sound

12.00 Naws, weather.
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AS London except 9.30 am Young Ramsay. 10.25 Poetry of Landscape. 10.40 History of the Car. 11.05-11.30 Call it Macaron. 12.30 pm-1.00 News. 2.30-4.00 Film: Cover Girts. Fashion modeld act as undercover agents. 5.15-5.45 Emmerdale Farm. 6.00 Today South West. 6.30-7.00 What's Ahead. 7.30-8.30 Lou Grant. 10.35 Film: To Sir With Love (Sidney Poitier). Black teacher arrives at an East End school. 12.25 am Postscript. 12.31 Closedown.

GRANADA

As London except: 10.30am Bubblies.
10.35 Handful of Songs. 10.45 Elid, Wild World of Animals. 11.05-11.30 Adventures of Niko. 12.30-1.00 Men of Science. 1.20-1.30 Graneda Reports. 2.00-4.00 Film: Wuthering Heights (Anna Calder-Marshall) Emily Bromis story. 5.15-5.45 Beverly Hillbillies. 8.00 Make Me Laugh. 6.30-7.00 Graneda Reports. 7.30-8.30 Fall Guy. 10.30 9 to 5. 11.00 Friday Night. 11.45 Film: Crunch. Detective Investigates the kidnapping of an actress. 1.40am Cincedown.

Detective investigates the kidnapping of actress. 1.40am Closedown.

YORKSHIRE

As London except: 10.30 am Contact. 10.55 Children of Hongkong, 11.05-11.30 Welcome back Kotter. 12.30 pm-1.00 Men of Science. 1.29-1.30 News. 2.30 Film: Mulligan's Stew: Foorball coach has a team of children at home, too. 3.55-4.00 Carloon. 6.00-7.90 Catendar and Sport. 7.30-8.30 Fall Guy, 10.30 Snooker. 11.15 Film: Colour Him Dead, Husband and wife are bired to

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8.00 News. 8.05 Morning Concert (continued): Corelli, Tartini, Handel, Geminiani.

9.00 News. 9.05 This Week's Composers; The

Spanish Golden Age. Pedro de Escobar, Francisco Guerrero, Mudarra, Flecha, Ordat 10.00 20th-Century Piano Pieces: Kodaly, Stravinsky† 10.40 Collegium Aureum; Mozart.

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11.45 Tippett and Liszt: Choral musict
12.15 Three Dvorak Overtures: BBC
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1.00 News.
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1.20 Maurice Bourgue: Oboe and plano recital. Kalliwoda, Niels Frohlich, Donizertif
2.00 Four Spanish Musicians:
Conchita Supervia, mezzo-

soprano. 3.00 The British Symphony: Arne.

4.00 Choral Evensong from Chichester Cathedralf 4.55 News. 5.00 Mainly for Pleasuret

6.30 Music for Guitar: Mudarra. Scarlatti, Bach, Sor, Granados, Albenizi

7.10 Poetry Now. 7.30 Emanuel AX, Piano recitalt 8.15 Was Harnlet Mad? Talk by Michael Neve, Lecturer in the History of Medicine, London University

8.35 Ernanuel AX-Part 2: Chopint 9.20 He Daily Woman: Short story by Bernard MacLaverty. 10.00 Music from France: BBC

Symphony Orchestra & Chorus, 11.15 News. News. VHF ONLY: Open University: 6.15am Hume's Science of Man, 6.35-6.55 The Metaphysical Poets, 11.20-11.40pm Welfare trop Release.

Radio 2

5.00am The Early Show.† 7.30 Ray Moore.† 10.00 Jimmiy Young. 12.00 Music While You Work.† 12.30 Gloria Humiford, including 2.02 Sports Desk.† 2.30 Ed Stewart, including 3.02 Sports Desk.† 4.00 David Hamilton, including 4.02, 5.30 Sports Desk.† 6.00 John Dunn, including 6.45 Sport and

Classified Results. f 7.30 Jim MacLeod and his Band.; 8,15 Friday Night Is Music Night; 9,30 Comediennes, 9,57 Sports Dask, 10,00 The Random Jottings of Hinge and Bracket, 10,30 Geoffrey Cannon presents Round Midnight, 1,00em Night Owls, 2,00-5,00 Liz Allen; You and the Night and the Music.

Radio 1

6.00am Adrian John with The Early Show. 7.00 Steve Wright. 9.00 Simon Bates. 11.30 Mike Smith, including 12.30pm Newsbeat. 2.00 Gary Davies. 4.30 Peter Powell's Select-a-Disc. 5.30 Newsbeat. 5.45 Roundtable. 7.00 Andy Peebles. 10.00 The Friday Rock Show with lan Gillan t with ian Gillan.†

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As London except: 10.30-12.00 Film: Storm in a Teacup, 12.30 pm-1.00 Men of Science, 1,20-1.30 News, 2.30 Trapper John, 3.00-4.00 Make me Laugh, 5,15-5.45 Emmerdale Farm, 6.00 Scotland Today, 6.30 Sports Exira, 6.45-7.00 Hear Here, 7,30-8.30 Fall Guy, 10.30 Ways and Means, 11.00 9 to 5, 11.30 Late call, 11.35 Gangster Chronictes, 12.30 em Cinsecting 1.30 Late call, 11.35 Gangster Chronicles, 12.30 am Closedown,

As London except: 10.30 sm Cartoon. 10.40 Struggle Seneath the Sea. 11.05-11.30 Sport Billy, 12.30 pm-1.00 Men of Science. 1.20-1.30 News, 2.30-4.00 The Chisholms. 5.15-5.45 Young Doctors. 5.00 News 6.30-7.00 Survival of the Fittest. 7.30-8.30 Fall Guy. 10.28 HTV News. 10.30 Report Extra. 11.00 Firm: Lova Affair: Eleanor and Lou Gehrig Story. Baseball star's remance and decline. 12.45 sm Closedown.

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6.00 Switch: The show that is aimed directly at the pop music generation, includes a location report by Marc Issue, and music from Alison (Alf) Moyet and Orange Juice. 7.00 Channel Four News: News and comment

white a Picture: First in few series intended to help the amateur photographer to take better pictures. The tutor is John Hedgecoe, Professor of Photography at the Royal College of Art.

McLaughlin, Larry Coryell and 9,30 Capstick Capers: Jokes and

10.30 Predicaments: Mavis

interviews, a review of American television, and a report on local radio 9.30 Guests of the Nation: Maurice Leitch's adaptation of Frank O'Connor's classic Irish short story set in County Cork in 1920. Starring Timothy Spall and Tim Woodward. (See

10.25 Newsnight: comment and news bulletins. 11.15 The Old Grey Whistle Test: Recorded in Dortmund, Germany, this "rock-pop in" concert features Gary Moore and R.E.O. Speedwagon. Can be seen again on April 19. Ends at midnight.

CHANNEL 4 5.15 Acting with Anna: The disciplined play techniques that are perfected at Anna Scher's children's theatre in islington are demonstrated in this, the first of six films about a remarkable school devoted to what Miss Scher calls "fact

GUESTS OF THE NATION (BBC 2, 9.30pm) began life as a short story by Frank O'Connor and as

such made a complete statement

about a familiar phenomenon that can arise in times of war: the

unofficial fraternization between

a play and there should be much rejoicing over the fact that the

diminution of the force of O'Connor's original statement. Such is the universality of the

predicament of the two British soldiers captured by the rural Irish

during the Troubles of the 1920s that the nature of the conflict itself

never obtrudes. At times, it could

almost be an O'Casey play we are watching. Fine acting all round,

enemies when temporarily remove from official front-lines. Maurice

Leitch has now turned the story into

dramatization has not resulted in a

5.30 Countdown: Word quiz game, presented by Richard Whiteley and Kenneth Williams.

5.35 Weekend Outlook, Open 5.40 Film: A Date with the Falcon (1941*). Modestly made thriller starring George Sanders at his immaculate best. It is the story of a famous scientist who disappears. Co-starring Wendy Barrie.

7.30 The Friday Atternative: Sharp focus on Asians and blacks in Leicester – their feelings about the white community in the city

9.00 Enterteinment USA: Jonathan

11.15 Film: The Big Shot (1942*).

Modestly budgeted thriller with
Humphrey Bogart as the
gangster who tries to go Ridges (as the lawyer). Directed by Lewis Seiler, Ends

9.05 Desart Island Discs: violinist
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10.00 News,
10.02 International Assignment.
10.30 Moming Story: Open Our Eyes,
O Lordt by Gwyn Clark,
10.45 Daily Servicet
11.00 News, travel,
11.03 The Domesday Oald the natural
history of an oak tree,
11.48 Bird of the Week: the sparrow.
12.00 News,
12.02 You and Yours,
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12.04 The World at One: News,
1.05 The World at One: News,
1.06 The Archers,
1.07 The World at One: News,
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BBC1 BBC WALES 12.57-1.0pm News. 3.53-3.55 News. 6.0-6.22 Wales today. 10.15-10.45 Celena. 10.45-18.50 News. 12.25am Close. SCOTLAND 12.55-1.0pm News. 6.0-6.22 Reporting Scotland. 10.15-10.45 The Beechgrove Garden, 10.45-10.50 News. 12.25am Close. NORTHERN IRELAND 12.57-1.0pm News. 3.53-3.55 News. 6.0-6.22 Scene around str. 10.15-10.45 Spotlight. 19.45-10.50 News. 12.25am News. ENGLAND 5.0-8.22pm Regional naws magazines. 10.15-10.45 East — Weskend. Midlands - Midlands Tonight. North - Gardeners' direct line. North

Weekend. Midlands – Midlands Tonight. North – Gerdeners' direct line. North East – Coast to Coast: Arthur, (The work of film cameramen Arthur Nicholson). North West – Outlook (the causes of Industrial malase). South – Don't fence me in (the changing Southern environment). South West – The Jersey Ark (Jersey Wildfille Preservation Trust), West – Public life: the hidden homeless. 12.30am close.

Starts 2.10 pm Nodi. 2.20 Ark in the Move. 2.45 Good Food Guide. 3.10 Root and Branch. 3.35 Old Country. 4.00 Planet of the Apes. 4.50 Ciw'o S4C, 4.55 Pli-Pala. 5.00 Sbri Celwydd Golau. 5.30 Loose Talk. 6.30 Abbott and Costello. 6.55 Gair yn ei Bryd. 7.00 Newyddion saith. 7.30 Yng nghwmni. 8.10 Pobol y Cwm. 8.40 Y Byd Yn Eile. 9.15 Soap. 9.40 The Gamekeeper. 11.05 Jazz on Four. 12.00 Geir yn ei Bryd. 12.05 am Closedown.

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As London except: Starts 9.25am News. 9.30 Young Ramsay, 10.25 Survival. 10.55 European Folk Tales, 11.05-11.30 Vicky the Viking, 12.30pm-1.00 Men of Science, 1.20-1.30 News and Lookaround, 2.30 Film: Blue Parrot* (Dermot Walsh), 3.55-4.00 TT Time, 5.15-5.45 Joannie Loves Chachi, 6.00-7.00 Northern Life, 7.30 Fall Guy, 8.30-9.00 Making a Living, 10.32 Friday Live, 12.00 Making a Living, 12.30 Three's Company, 12.35 Closedown.

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(Gary Coleman), 12.05 News. Closedown. Film: Cover Girls, As TSW, 5.15-5.45 Emmerdale Farm, 5.00 Channel Report, 6.25 Brady Bunch, 6.55-7.00 What's on Where, 7.30-8.30 Lou Grant, 10.35 Film:

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Solidarity calls for May Day mass protests

From Roger Boyes, Warsaw

darity leader yesterday called meeting had taken place and for mass protests against what he meant in his brief Government policies on May communique when he said that Day, an appeal that follows he had coordinated his strategy weekend talks with Mr Lech with the underground leader-Walesa, chairman of the banned ship.

Neither Mr Walesa nor his

rity should try to secure the is, however, clear that Mr largest possible attendance at Walcsa, who on his release from May Day rallies which would internment six months ago said march under the slogans:
"Freedom for political prisoners", "Restore citzens' charges pressed against him is if rights", and "End price rises".

Mr Walesa, asked whether he associaed himself with the police turn up evidence that the police turn up evidence that associated himself with the legal" actions with the underprotest appeal, said that he had ground. not signed it but did not necessarily distance himself from the message.

Mr Walesa may well meet Cardinal Jozef Glemp, the Polish Primate, when he travels

uncertainty over the former Primate is due to attend the Solidarity leader who met for consecration of a new auxiliary three days with the underground leaders and thus treads a he may use the occasion to urge narrow line between breaking caution on Mr Walesa.
the law and remaining within it. Mr Walesa has felt himself the law and remaining within it. Mr Walesa has felt himself The arrest of Mr Walesa would forced to assume more radical have far reaching implications postures over the past few both for the Papal visit to months as he travels around the Poland in June and for the country attending trials of Polish Government's standing union activists and meeting his Polish Government's standing union activists and meeting his

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weekend and to refuse to ski to dicuss the possibilities of answer any questions about the meeting the Primate.

Poland's underground Soli- police surveillance, where the

The underground leaders said wife are obliged to say anything that regional outposts of Solidathat would incriminate them. It

This casts a new cloud of to Gdansk on Sunday. The

the West. former colleagues. Somehow he Earlier, Mrs Danuta Walesa has to meet his followers' was questioned for two and a expectations and at the same half hours by the police about time ensure that he is not her husband's meeting with the instrumental in the cancellation of a papal visit. Before driving Before entering the Gdansk his wife to the militia station, militia headquarters. Mr Wale- Mr Walesa met Bishop Lech sa advised his wife to say only Kaczmarek of Gdansk and his that he had been away for the friend Father Henryk Jankow-

meeting.

Mr Walesa, who was in- later that she refused during the terrogated for almost five hours interrogation to answer queson Wednesday, said that he was tions about her husband's asked how he had avoided activities, Reuter reports.

Attenborough in storm

Continued from page 1 want black and white people in Britain.

South Africato see it." pletely. To show this film in Gandhi's concept of non-violthat country is an insult. The entresistance liberation movement there has

Mrs Naidoo, a secretary in London, said she had spent a something Gandhi rejected vear in solitary confinement in

South Africa before coming to

In South Africa, Mr Cassim Mrs Shanthie Naidoo, GanMrs Shanthie Naidoo, GanSaloojee, a prominent Indian
dhi's adopted grand-daughter, involved in the Gandhi Centenalso urged Sir Richard not to go. ary Council, said: "We hope
"We believe people should boycott South Africa comboycott South Africa comcomcomcontrolled by To show this film in Gandhi's concept of non-viol-

The Black British Standing called for it to be boycotted. Conference against Apartheid Said Sir Richard's decision to them what apartheid is all allow the film to play before separate audiences accepted

Plea to Attenhorough, page 5 | Opposition.



THE TIMES

Jobless youths offered **Armed Forces training**

Continued from page 1

ance to pay for food and accomodation. The cost of the existing £1,000m Manpower Services Commission budget. The Ministry of Defence is contributing £1m to subsidize the difference between the £10 a week being deducted for food and accommodation and the higher charge for regulars of £16.53 a week.

Mr Heseltine told the Commons that there would be opportunities for youngsters who completed their one year satisfactorily to continue in the services, but it could not be an automatic right.

He made it clear that the volunteers would be subject to military law. Youngsters will be able to volunteer for the Armed Service of their choice, but the individual service will decide which part they should serve in. Conservative MPs welcomed Mr Heseltine's plans but they were bitterly attacked by

The Trades Union Congress is likely to oppose the small. The £6.7m a year it will cost the Department of Employment will come from the existing £1,000m Months. Commission youth oppor-tunities programme was firmly rejected by the TUC.

Parliament, page



Park Royal printers reject peace formula

By Barrie Clement, Labour Reporter

printing plant in West London them," he said.

The peace formula worked once more after 130 members of out by Mr Maxwell and Mr Sogat '82 refused to endorse a

But the British Printing and Communications Corporation, which owns the works, is confident that the deal will enable a return to full production of the Radio Times. The dispute has caused the loss of over 12 million copies of both the Radio Times and the

The rebel printers at Park Royal are to be dismissed without redundancy payments, Mr Robert Maxwell, the company's chairman said in a BBC radio interview yesterday.

Mr Maxwell said several hundred jobs at the works were now under threat because of the action of the 130 men, most of whom are members of the machine room chapel (office branch) of Sogat "If these people wish to commit suicide,

a day at Old Colwyn on Abergale to Conway road. A40: Resurfacing on Thirlestaine Road, Cheltenham;

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temporary signals between Gree-nodd and Ulverston. Scotland: M8: Outside lanes

closed between junctions 26 and 29 (Hillington and St. James). A8: Alexandra Parade closed at Castle Street, Glasgow; diversion. A89: Diversion SE of Blackburn.

Information supplied by the AA.

"If Ghandi were alive today and living once more in South Africa, he would be in prison without trial and without hope of release," the Daily Mirrer says. "He would be a non-citizen. And for no other reason than he was the wrong colour. That is why Sir Richard Amenborough is mistaken to go to the all-white

nistaken to go to the all-white remiere of his film about Gandhi

The Daily Express comments:
"The fight by Lech and Danuta
Walesa and their followers is not in
vain. The very fact that they have
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not been 'liquidated' is a reassuring sign. The revolt of 1943, by persecuted Polish jews, showed what could happen when a people were provoked beyond endurance. The Warsaw regime dare not risk another uprising which would finally destroy its claim to legislimacy."

The future of the Park Royal not even their union can protect

William Keys, general secretary peace plan worked out between of the union, means that the 3.5 their union and management million copies of the Radio There are fears that the conflict Times formally printed at Park Royal will now be produced at a sister plant in East Kilbride, Scotland. Production of the Listener is also to be transferred from the works, but it has not been decided where. But it seemed last night that

the union had not accepted that the transfer of the Radio Times to East Kilbride was a perma-

This factor, together with the dismissals of the machine room men, could mean that the dispute is by no means over. The matter will be discussed at a machine room chapel meeting tomorrow.

Mr Maxwell said that the type-setting was to continue at Park Royal and that union members who have endorsed the deal will be paid normally The dispute began on March 20 when 400 of the 600 workers at the plant were dismissed

Frank Johnson in the Commons

Thatcher treads warily on Gandhi path

One of the many charms of Prime Minister's question time is that we never know who is going to be mentioned.

Names from history frequently are introduced into the exchanges if any MP thinks any particular name might help along his or her argument, Among historical figures mentioned yesterday were Abraham Lincoln, Ghandhi and Mr Michael

Mr Michael Neubert, the Conservative member for Romford, prefaced a question to Mrs Thatcher with the observation: "On the anniversary of the assassination of Abraham Lincoln

Mr Neubert paused as members started laughing, and that gave us time to guess what advice he thought appropriate to offer Mrs. Thatcher on the anniversary of the assassination of Lin-

Stay away from the theatre that evening? Look more statesmanlike during the election by growing a black beard and bushy black whiskers? Mr Neubert's advice turned out to be: "On the anniversary of the assassination of Abraham Lincoln, the Opposition would do better to remember Lincoln's maxim: do not make the rich poorer, make the poor

"I agree with the quotation from Abraham Lincoln," Mrs Thatcher replied, "I also agree that under the last govern-ment, tax thresholds fell, whereas under this govern-ment, tax thresholds have increased by 5 per cent more than inflation, so there has been a real improvement."

Personal plea over film

So much for Lincoln Next, Gandhi. Just as Lincoln was, for Mr Neubert's purposes, an early Thatcherite, so it emerged that Gandhi seems to have voted Labour. For a Labour backbencher, Mr Alfred Dubs, of Battersea South, asked the Prime Minister to consider the well-deserved nternational praise that the film Gandhi has received?"

He added: "Will she, however, make a personal plea to Sir Richard Attenborough not to go to South Africa in order to give that regime his blessing by presiding over the cere monies to do with that film before segregated audiences?

Mr. Dubs is a staunch opponent of segregation in South Africa rather more so, one suspects, than Gandhi who, during his many years in that country, opposed dis-crimination against Indians, but seems to have said next to nothing about discrimination against blacks.

Indeed, he volunteered to help put down a Zulu rising what would nowadays in the Labour Party be called a freedom fighters' struggle, and was awarded a medal in the

Approving beams from Jenkins

Alas, we are being blud-geoned on all sides into adopting a pious tone when talking of Sir Richard's triumphantly misleading film. So Mrs Thatcher had to tread warily. She told Mr Dubs that the film maker must be free to decide whether to attend this South African showing.

But she took care to congratulate "Sir Richard Attenborough and all who took part in the making of this film on their splendid achieve-

Mercifully, she seemed to do so mainly on Thatcherite, commercial grounds. "It is good for British industry," she said, and she mentioned Chariots of Fire as well.

Mr Foot made his appearance during protests about the British ship that is being refitted in Malta instead of Britain. But the running onthis issue was made by the SDP, the followers of Mahatma Jenkins, the spiritual leader of Britain's teeming moderates. He did not take part in the

exchanges, but beamed approvingly as one of his lieutenants denounced Mrs Thatcher for letting down

This restraint was in keeping with the Jenkins doctrine of non-violence, a doctrine which has got him into trouble with the fanatical followers of the young David Steel. Mr Jenkins is not built for a death fast over the issue, preferring to settle such matters with a slow lunch. I would rather have him as my leader than

High tides

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 Hazint's essays Holmes breakfast entertainment (5.4).

15 School where Lawrence once took everything (7).

18 Hardly pleased to have passed

away! (7).
20 Donne said to have gone mad in

prison-cell (7).
21 Quiet old president given some stick – that's plain (9).
23 Young Montague finds key in

changing-room (5).
25 The way to ventilate this case in

the House? (5).
26 Norma sent collection of bric-à-

1 Rock fruit's sound quality (9). 2 Bone of bird caught by father

(5).
3 Wine-bottles belonging to

David's grandson (9).

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5 Note about destruction of deer

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28 Weight for age? (5).

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Works by Jane Boyd, The Queen's Gate, Trinity College, Cambridge, Tues to Sat 10 to 6 (from today until April 30).

Eighty Years On: Selection from galleries in the North West, City Art Gallery, Mosley Street, Manchester; Month West, City Art Gallery, Mosley Street, Manchester; Manchester; Month West, City Art Gallery, Mosley Street, Manchester; Month West, City Art Gallery, Mosley Street, Manchester; Month West, City Art Gallery, Tordan, Richard Hayward and David Bennett; Porcelain by Pat Shilston; Woven rugs by Wendy Children's Art, City Art Gallery, The

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21 Press body has worried Turkish

bigwig (5).

22 Turn-up of this hat to be included in Cromwell's portrait?

24 Get fruit this Friday? Go on! (5).

Solution of Puzzle No. 16,103

Museum Road, Old Portsmosth; every day 10.30 to 5.30 (from today until May 17).

Gallery, Pierrepont Place, Bath; 11 to 5 (ends tomorrow). Water colours by Bruce Horsfield, Blake Gallery, Georges Lane, Crewkerne; 10 to 4 (ends tomor-

Holography Show: three-dimensional images. Chapter Gallery, Market Road, Canton, Cardiff; Mon to Fri 12 to 10, Sat 12 to 4 (ends omorrow).
Collages by David Petts; Carmar then Museum, Abergwili; 10 to 4.30 (ends tomorrow). City Visions 1951-80, Belton Art

today).

After Turner: Repertoire of Turner's works, Gloucester City Museums and Art Gallery, Brunswick Road; 10 to 5 (ends

Paintings, collages and construc-tions by Michael Rennie, Festival

Gallery, Le Mans Crescent, Mon to Fri 9.30 to 5.30, Sat 10 to 5 (ends tomorrow).

Work of the Manchester Academy of Fine Art, Gallery of Modern
Art, Athenaeum, 81 Princess Street; 10 to 6 (ends tomorrow).

Concert by Leith Hill Festival Choir and Orchestra, Dorking Halls, 7.30

Recital by Philip Iones Brass ensemble, The Pavilion, Harbour Street, Broadstairs, 7.45. Street, Broadstairs, 7.45.
Concert by John Heddle Nash,
Church Hall, Sprotbrough, 7.30.
Concert by Royal Liverpool
Philharmonic Orchestra, King
George's Hall, Northgate, Blackburn, 7.30.
Concert by Scottisk National
Orchestra Usher Hall, Edinburgh,
7.30.

medieval and Renaissance popular music, Hind College, Shepshed

Concert by Cambridge Symphony Orchestra, King's College Chapel, Cambridge, 8.

posed some unusual sets of symptoms (9).

Lobster cooked along with sucr (9).

MO has note to show the soldier (7).

Remove restrictions in case heard in court? (7).

Press body has worned Turkish bigwig (3).

Gentre, today 12 to 8, tomorrow 10 to 6, Sanday 10 to 6.

Spring Fair in aid of Counsel and Care for the Elderly, Graham Spicer Hall, New Malden, 10 to 2.30.

Masked Regency Ball in aid of Oxfam, Assembly Rooms, Bath, 8.

Anniversaries

Births: Nanak, Sikh guru, Bhoi di Talvandi, India, I Benjamin Juwett. scholar. 1 Bhoi di Talvandi, India, 1469; Benjamin Juwett, scholar, 1817; Bliss Carmus, poet, Fredericton, New Brunswick, 1861; Viscount Bruce of Melbourne, Prime Minister of Australia 1972-70 of Australia 1923-29, Melbourne 1883. Deaths: Mikhail Lomonoso (April 4, old style), writer, St Petersburg, 1765; John Singer reteasing, 17th, John Canger Sargent, portriat painter, London, 1925. The Titunic, on its maiden voyage, struck an iceberg and sank south of Newfoundland, 1912.

Parliament today

private member's motion on UK

oth; | Parade, Marlhorough; 10 to 5 (ends | Food prices

London and South-east: Abbott Road, linking Alo2 Blackwall Tunnel approach and Al3 East India Dock Road, closed south-bound; southbound traffic on Al02 vegetables, particularly lettuce and cucumbers; tomatoes, radishes and cucumbers; tomatoes, radishes and watercress are also slightly cheaper. Round lettuces are 20-25p each, cucumbers 30-45p, spring onions 15-30p a bunch, and good-quality hothouse tomatoes 75-90p a pound. Best value among winter vegetables are English greens 18-24p a pound, cauliflowers 38-50p each, white and red cabbage 8-16p a pound, parsnips 12-18p, awedes 8-12p, onions 8-14p, carrots 10-14p. must leave at Al I Bow Road or go through tunnel. A3Z16: One lane only at Chelsea Bridge; use Albert, Battersea or Vauxhall bridges as alternatives. A3O8: Road works on Sunbury Road/Hampton Road, Hampton; avoid Hampton Court Wales and West: M5: Lane closures between junctions 24 (Minehead) and 25 (Taunton). A55:

carrots 10-14p. Strawbergies from Spain, Portugal and Israel are 40-60p a punnet. Oranges are less plenniful than usual, but Cape Golden Delicious apples and New Zesland Coxes are recommended. Avocados, 20-60p each, are outstanding value.

New season's home produced lamb is now more plentiful. Whole leg in Dewharst shops is £1.49 to £1.99 a pound and whole shoulder 199 to £1.33. Sainsbury's have whole leg at £2.10 and whole shoulder at £1.48. Dewharst's New Zealand lamb is also cheaper: shoulder as little as 59p and leg £1.08. Sainsbury's have cut beef prices to £1.28 for back and top rib and £1.00 for flank. Tesce have and £1.00 for flank. Tesco have brisker at 98p a pound, stewing steak at £1.28, fore rib at £1.44 and braising steak at £1.40. Prozen joints in Bejam stores are £1.89 for top

Fish is cheapest in Scotland (£1.10 for cod fillets, £1.16 for haddock and 40p for mackerel) and most expensive in Wales (£1.34, £1.36 and 55p respectively).

Best Wines

In a blind tasting of Leibfrau-milch wines, two fied for 100 placing: Blue Nam 1981 (£2.99), H. Sichel and Sons, widely stocked and Liebfraunikch 1981, Hans J. W.

The pound

	Duys	- Denz
Australia S	1.84	1.76
Austria Sch	27.55	25.75
Belgium Fr	77.75	73,75
Canada S	1.95	1.87
Denmark Kr	13.82	13.12
Finland Mkk	8.74	8.24
France Fr	11.59	11.04
Germany DM	3.88	3.68
Greece Dr	136.00	125.00
Hoogkong \$	10.70	10.15
Ireland Pt	1.22	1.17
Italy Liva		2180.00
Town W.	385.00	365.00
Japan Yen Netherlands Gid		
	4.36	4.15
Norway Kr	11.42	10.82
Portugal Esc	159.00	145.00
South Africa Rd	1.92	1.75
Spain Pta	211.09	200,00
Sweden Kr	11.96	11.36
Switzerland Fr	3.27	3.09
USA \$	1.58	1.52
Yugoslavia Dar	130.00	118.00
		when only
Rates for small denominas supplied by Barcleys	Bank Interna	Scool Ltd.
Different rates apply to other foreign currency b	क्षांत्रहास्त्र सं	المه حصوم
Retail Price Index	: 327.3 °	

London: The FT Index closed up 1.8 at 688.9

Top films

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Top box-office films in London: 1 (1) Gandini Local Hero Best Friends. The Verdict 8 (3) Table for Five 9 (9) The Missionar 10 (10) Robin Hood The top five in the pro

The Dark Crystal The Best Mester

Weather forecast

An anticyclone will move slowly E across S England. A weak trough of low pressure will approach NW Scotland later.

6 am to midnight

London, East Anglia, SE Central S and N, E, SW, NW and NE England, Channel Islandia, Wales: Dry, sunny periods, some mist or fog paticites soon dispersing; wind variable, light; max 11-13C (52-55F).

Lake District, lake of Man, Borders, SW Sectiond, N ireland: Dry, sunny intervals, becoming cloudler; wind SW, light or moderate; max 12C (54F).

Edinburgh, Dundee, Aberdeen, Glasgow: Bright intervals, cloud tractening from W; wind W, moderate; max 12C (54F).

Central Highlands, Morey Firth, NE and NW Scotland, Angryl, Orkney, Shettand: Cloudy, some drizzle, cloud thickening from W, rain-later, heavy in places: wind-SW, moderate or trest; max 9C (48F). Thirtestance August diversion.
Midhads: A456: Bekdley Road closed at Kidderminster, diversions.
A41: Diversions northbound on High Street, Knowle. M1: Lane closures northbound and on slip coads between innerions 27 and 28 places Newcastle to Berwick. Mer Northbound carriageway shared between junctions 41 and 42, S of Carlisle. A590: Lane alosures and

places: wind-SW, moderate or fresh; max 9C (48F).

Outlook for tomorrow and Sunday; Dry in many areas, becoming unsettled with showers or rain. Warm in S at first, otherwise mormal temperatures.

S North Sea: Wind NW to W moderate of S North Sea: Wind NW by moderate or freeth; sea stight to moderate. Strafts of Dover: Wind W light or moderate; sea slight. English Channel (E): Wind variable, light; sea smooth. St George's Channel: Wind W light or moderate; sea slight. Irish Sea: Wind W moderate, becoming fresh or strong; sea slight becoming fresh or strong; sea slight becoming rough.

Moon rises 7.24 am First quarter: April 20.

Lighting-up time

Yesterday

London .

Highest and lowest

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